NEW YORK (R) — About 2,000 Israeli soldiers crossed into Lebanon Monday in search of Palestinian resistance fighters and their strongholds. NBC news reported. The U.S. television network reported from Tel Aviv that sources told it of the military operation and that the Israeli government would not confirm the action. The network broke into its government would not connect the action. The network broke 1913 is a state of the programmes to report the troop movement. In Tel Aviv, an Israeli Francischesman declined comment on the report. The spokesman, asked to bimmight, said: "We are not going to react to the NBC report. We have no reaction." Reports from South Lebanon said Israeli troops pounded several southern Lebanese villages with artillery fire Monday as planes dropped hundreds of flares. Israeli gunners fired scores of shells into several villages in the Nabatiyeh district just outside Israel's self-declared "security zone" on its northern border with Lebanon, sources told Reuters. There is very heavy shelling of the villages which is heard in other areas of the south," one source said. Israeli planes flew low over Sidok and two nearby Palestinian refugee camps in repeated mock raids.

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Mubarak oilfield shut for 2 months

NICOSIA (AP) — Iran's attack on the United Arab Emirate's Mubarak offshore oilfield April 18 has shut it down for at least two months, the Middle East Economic Survey (MEES) reported Monday. The weekly newsletter also said the U.S.flagged supply ship Willie Tide and the British-flagged storage vessel York Marine suffered "substantial damage" in the attack. The Iranian naval attack came after U.S. forces destroyed two tranian oil platforms in retaliation for Iran's alleged sowing of a mine that damaged a U.S. warship the previous week.

Children's hospital collapses in Kashmir

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NEW DELHI (AP) - A threestorey children's hospital collapsed Monday in the northern state of Kashmir and at least 11 people died, a local reporter said. Other news reports put the number of deaths as high as 30. "It is a terrible sight up here. No one knows how many children have died or are dying," Kashmir Times reporter Arun Joshi said after visiting the site. He said police and army rescue teams had accounted for 35 people, including 11 dead,

Israel may name Arab as ambassador

TEL AVIV (R) - Israel is considering appointing an Arab as ambassador. Israel Radio said Monday that the foreign ministry had approached Muwafak Khoury, 31, a teacher and farmer, to become the Zionist state's first Arab antiassator. Khoury was offered the post of ambassador to Liberia, one of a handful of African states to have full diplomatic ties with Israel, the radio said. Israel last year appointed lawyer Mohammad Atlanta in the United States, the first time one of Israel's 700,000 Arab citizens was appointed to a

Gdansk shipyard workers strike

senior diplomatic post.

GDANSK (R) - Thousands of workers began a sit-in strike Monday at the Lenin shipyard, birthplace of Poland's Solidarity free trade union, in a sharp escalation of labour unrest. In scenes reminiscent of historic strikes in 1980, up to 3,000 workers took over the giant shipyard, draping the main gate with bau-ners and red-and-white Polish national flags. A crowd of about 300 sympathisers stuck flowers in the gate before police pushed them back several hundred metres. The Lenin shipyard, which employs 12,000 workers. sparked the historic August 1980 strike wave that convulsed Poland in the wake of governmentimposed meat price rises.

Istanbul mayor visits Athens

ATHENS (AP) - Istanbul Mayor Bedrettin Dalan arrived here Monday for a five-day visit, returning one by Athens Mayor Miltiades Evert in February. Around 60 Kurdish political refugees, Armenians and Cypriots staged a brief anti-Turkish demonstration outside Dalan's hotel soon after his arrival. A police spokesman said there were no arrests. The Istanbul mayor is to meet with Premier Andreas Papandreou and opposition leader Constantine Mitsotakis and also will open an exhibit of Turkish art at the Athens municipal gallery.

Jumbo jet lands with 3 engines out

TOKYO (AP) — A United Air-fines (UAL) Boeing 747 with 258 people on board landed safely Monday at new Tokyo international airport at Narita after three of its four engines failed, an airline official said. None of the 239 passengers and 19 crew members aboard UAL flight 97 from Los Angeles to Tokyo was injured, said the official. He said the Boeing 747-100 landed with emergency vehicles standing by at the airport, 65 kilometres north-

Arab boy electrocuted

Israel toughens anti-media move

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM (Agencies) — The Israeli occupation authorities shut down a Palestinian magazine Monday in a mounting crackdown on the press and a Palestinian university dean said an underground education network had grown in the occupied West Bank since the Israeli army closed schools there.

A Palestinian boy, 16-year-old Nidal Abdul Latif Abdul Haq, was electrocuted after Israeli soldiers ordered him to remove a Palestinian flag on a pylon in Beit Wazen and later died in a Nablus

His death raised to 176 the Arab death toll in the 21-weekold uprising in the occupied West

Bank and Gaza Strip.

Palestinians held protests
against Israeli rule Monday, but the occupied areas were relatively

Ibrahim Kareen, publisher and owner of the Arab Jerusalem Ai Awdah Arabic and English weeklies, said 10 Israeli policemen delivered a letter from the interior ministry ordering the immediate closure of the magazines.

"It's purely a political decision. They want to silence any Palestinian voice sent to the international community or the Palestinian community," Kareen told Reu-

Kareen also owns the Palestine Prese Service (PPS), which served as a major source of information for foreign correspondents covering the uprising before the Israeli

army shut it down for six months in March.

He said the interior ministry, which charged Al Awdah with being "financed by hostile organisations, serving the aims of those organisations and being directed by them," effectively shut down the magazines permanently by withdrawing their licences.

Since the Palestinian uprising began Dec. 8, Israel has closed two Palestinian newspapers and the Palestine Press Service, and arrested at least 22 Israeli and Arab reporters.

The army has also periodically banned the media from all or parts of the occupied territories, maintaining their presence incited Arab protests.

The army opened a new detention centre for Palestinians under the age of 16, spokesman Ranaan

Israeli military law in the occupied territories allows for the arrest and imprisonment of children aged 12 to 16. Gissin said the youngest detainees in the new

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U.N. chief launches Sahara peace mission

RABAT (Agencies) — U.N. ing in Algiers later this week with Secretary General Javier Perez de President Chadli Benjedid and Cuellar began a three-nation peace mission to North Africa Monday with no indication of any readiness by Morocco or Algeria to make concessions in their 13year-old dispute over the Western Sahara.

Perez de Cuellar was expected in Rabat later in the day and was to meet with King Hassan II. The secretary-general was to continue his mission at a scheduled meet-

PLO leaders denounce U.S. plan

BAGHDAD (R) — Palestinian leaders Monday condemned U.S. peace proposals for the Middle East and vowed to step up Palestinian protests in the Israelioccupied West Bank and Gaza

Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) Chairman Yasser Arafat, addressing Palestinians celebrating the national day of the Palestine Liberation Front (PLF), accused Washington of trying to impose its will on the

region.

"(U.S. Secretary of State George) Shultz and the whole Israeli clique and their masters at the White house should know that the Palestinian uprising will continue wave after wave until the end of the occupation," he

Referring to the killing last month of his deputy Khalil Al Wazir (Abu Jihad), Arafat said: "Crimes of assassination will not prevent the Palestinian people... continuing the long march until

we fully achieve our aims."
PLF leader Mohammad
Abbas, accusing Washington of
being behind Abu Jihad's death, "The martyrdom of Abu Jihad was an interpretation of the U.S. (Middle East) plan and a continuation of the conspiracy

against the uprising."
"Shultz came to the region with a plan that contains one item... to abort the Palestinian uprising,"

"So we say no to Shultz's plan and to all imperialist attempts which ignore our position and our right to self-determination."

was then expected to visit the Mauritanian capital, Novakchott.

The official media in Morocco and Algeria reiterated their irreconcilable positions on the eve of Perez de Cuellar's mission. Algiers Radio repeated de-

mands for a total Moroccan withdrawal from the disputed territory and direct negotiations between Morocco and the Algeriabacked Polisario independence movement as a preliminary to any

Moroccan media restated Morocco's refusal either to withdraw from the former Spanish colony or to negotiate with the Polisario, described in Morocco as a movement of "Algerian mercenaries."

The administration of the mineral-rich wilderness was ceded by the Spanish government to Morocco in November 1975. The Moroccan army has spent an estimated \$1.5 million per day ever since defending the territory against Polisario attacks launched from sanctuaries on the Algerian side of the unmarked border.

Many thousands of combatants have died on both sides of the undeclared war, while the original 80,000 nomadic inhabitants fled to safe areas in Algeria and in the Moroccan-annexed Sahara. No fighting has been reported for more than three months

Jordan marks anniversary of King's assumption of constitutional powers

Jordan Times

جوردان تايمز يومية معلومية تصور بالمجازية عن المؤسسة الصحفية الأردنية ،الراي،

AMMAN (Petra) — Jordan Monday marked the 35th angives rary of His Majesty King Hussein's assumption of his constitutional powers.

Since assuming his duties in 1953, King Hussein has been devoting his time and effort to serving his country and the Arab Nation and his relentless endeavours have been rewarded with development and progress

Under King Hussein, Jordan has won world-wide respect and enjoys stability and security, which contribute to the Kingdom's progress and develop-

The King's moderate and wise leadership enhanced Jordan's credibility world-wide and helped bolster Jordan's relations with world nations.

On the domestic front, King Hussein has succeeded in providing Jordan with the means to ensure strength and develop-ment in the fields of economy, science and social affairs.

In true commitment to the principles of the Great Arab Revolt, King Hussein has worked hard to strengthen the Jordanian Armed Forces to enable

BEIRUT (AP) — Rival Palesti-

nian factions battled each other

with mortars and machine guns in

Beirut's refugee camps Monday

as Shi'ite Muslim clans skir-

mished in neighbouring slums.

Police said 15 people were killed

ity also was jolted by the discov-

ery of the bullet-riddled body of a

after he was kidnapped from his

home in the port city of Jounieh.

outbursts of gunfire rocked

Beirut's western sector, a synod

of Maronite bishops met in an

emergency conclave and branded

Monsignor Albert Khreish's mur-

His body, riddled with at least

30 bullets, was found by a bird

hunter in a pine tree forest near

the mountain resort town of Gha-

zir in the Christian heartland

north of Beirut Sunday, police

Khreish, 53, head of the sect's

religious affairs court and nephew

of former Patriarch Antonios

Butros Khreish, was kidnapped

He was still in his pajamas

when the hunter found the body.

There were also scars of physical

torture on his face, police said.

communication punishment,

said a communique issued by the

bishop's synod at Bkirki, resi-

dence of current Patriarch Nas-

rallah Sfeir, who presided over

The reference to excom-

munication suggests the bishops

bel'eve the killers were Christ-

ians. Both Jounieh and Ghazir

are controlled by the Lebanese

Forces, the Christians's main

The communique also

appeared to snub the Lebanese

Forces by ignoring any mention of the militia, which has been

"The culprits deserve the ex-

April 26.

the conclave.

der an "intolerable crime."

As shell blasts and staccato

Lebanon's Christian commun-

and 50 wounded.



HM King Hussein

them to defend the nation and has been striving to establish Arab solidarity by trying to remove inter-Arab differences and unifying Arab ranks in the face of common dangers.

Jordan's endeavours to help Iraq repel aggression and to enable the Palestinians to regain their rights in their homeland

Jordan, under King Hussein has adopted a brave and firm

Fateh factions clash in Beirut

since the civil war erupted in

Instead, it called on the na-

tion's president and army com-

mander, both Maronites, to "ex-

ert utmost efforts to find the

murderers and bring them to jus-

The communique expressed

g security conditions" and said

"profound concern over worsen-

the church and its role in

again, Tebran's IRNA news

agency reported a war spokesman

"We will retaliate U.S. mis-

chiefs in any field, and U.S.

interests throughout the world

will be attacked by Muslims who

sympathise with the Islamic re-

volution," IRNA quoted the war

information headquarters official

The spokesman was reacting to

a U.S. decision Friday to extend

the Gulf role of its naval forces

which destroyed two Iranian oil

platforms and fought a day-long

battle with the Iranian navy April

"If the U.S. intends to perpe-

trate a new mischief, it will with-

out any doubt taste the bitterness

of our hit backs that will not be

confined to the (Arabian) Gulf,"

IRNA said the spokesman

made the remarks in an interview

published in the Iranian daily

U.S. Defence Secretary Frank

hinterland as its own canton Lebanon.

Maronite bishops condemn priest's murder

stand in the face of Israeli con-spiracies designed to Judaise the occupied Arab territory and evict Arab inhabitants from their homeland. Under King Hussein Jordan has been striving with all its might to help the Palestinian people liberate their land and regain their rights and territory.

On the occasion of the anniversary, the King received cables of congratulations in which the senders expressed pride in his leadership. The cables said that under the leadership of King Hussein, Jordan made great strides on the road to achieve its national aspirations and substantiate its international credibility.

The cables were sent by Prime Minister Zaid Rifai, Speaker of the Upper House of Parliament Ahmad Al Lawzi, Lower House Speaker Akef Al Fayez, Armed Forces Commander-in-Chief Field Marshal Sharif Zaid Ibn Shaker, the directors of the Public Security, General Intelli-gence and Civil Defence departments, senior civil and military officials as well as beads of official and popular organisa-

dered priest has been scheduled

for Tuesday at Bkirki, which is 20

kilometres north of central

Beirut, His body will then be

taken for burial to his hometown

of 'Ain Ibil in Israel's self-desig-

nated "security zone" in South

Police said they had no indica-

tion as to the motive behind the

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Gulf, so far assigned to protect

come under attack under certain

Iran's parliamentary Speaker

Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani

Sunday condemned this decision

as "a plot to handcuff the Islamic

Republic of Iran and give an open

hand to (Iraqi President) Saddam

"Iran will not allow the U.S. to

The threat of global reprisals

against Washington for the naval

clashes was first made by Iran's

Interior Minister Ali Akbar

Mohtashemi, who said in a news-

"American interests in the

world, whether in European,

Western or Middle Eastern coun-

tries, or even inside the United

States, should be directly attack-

ed by the forces of the Islamic

Hizbollah cells in various coun-

revolution in the world and the

paper interview on April 19:

provide a security belt for the

Iraqi regime in the (Arabian) Gulf," echoed the war spokes-

man quoted by IRNA.

Hussein in the (Arabian) Gulf."

Lebanon.

Khreish's murder was "a mon- murder. Christian sources, speak-

strous crime aimed at discrediting ing on condition of anonymity,

NICOSIA (R) — Muslim sym-pathisers would hit American in-Gulf, so far assigned to protect

terests around the world if the U.S.-flag ships, would also help

United States attacked Iran non-U.S. merchant vessels which

circumstances.

Iran says its friends will

retaliate against U.S.

A funeral service for the mur-

bargain over Palestine and the rights of its people and was subjected to banishment as a result. he struggle continued under his son King Abdullah, who succeeded in protecting the land and ts people from the Zionist plans in Palestine. In 1948 the late king succeeded in saving part of Pales-tine, including Arab Jerusalem, cess.

King voices pride in Palestinian uprising

SALT (Petra) — His Majesty King Hussein Sunday voiced pride in the Palestinian uprising in the occupied Arab territories against the common enemy in and said that the Palestinian people's steadfastness gives the Arab Nation more confidence in achieving victory and regaining

Jordan seeks a lasting and just settlement of the Palestine problem through an international conten intough an international control in the international U.N. Security Council Resolu-tions 242 and 338 and bring about peace to the region, the King said at an Iftar banquet he hosted for notable personalities in Balqa Governorate.

Following are major excerpts of the King's speech:

Dangers are in the offing in all parts of the Arab World but through determination and perseverance we are sure that right and justice will win despite difficulties and hardships.

We will stand by our Arab brothers anywhere in the Arab World and continue the process of reconciliation and consensus and understanding among various Arab countries. We have always believed that no just solution can be found unless the Arabs possess sufficient power to thwart enemy

Jordan's relation with the Palestine question started early this century at the time of Al Hussein Ibn Ali. who refused to

In 1967, Jordan stood by its sister Arab states in the conflict true commitment to the Joint Arab Defence Pact and the Arab

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Mubarak: coordinate policies

CA!RO (Petra) — Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak said here Sunday that Egypt and Jordan were maintaining a process of close coordination of policies at the highest level.

"I take pride in being a friend and companion to His Majesty King Hussein in the process of liberation, and in achieving a just and durable peace in the Middle East." Mubarak said in a political speech on Labour Day.

He said that the Palestinian uprising in the occupied Arab territories was a source of admiration for all Arabs. "This uprising has shown the whole world that the Palestinians are determined to rid themselves of occupation and that the Israelis cannot perpetuate their occupation of Palestinian land by force of arms," he said.

Egypt, the president said, has recently been in contact with countries concerned with the, Palestine problem and have influence on the conflicting parties and urged them to increase their efforts for reviving the peace pro-

Le Pen does not endorse Chirac, but rejects Mitterrand

PARIS (AP) — Jean-Marie le er, has refused to endorse conservative Premier Jacques Chitac but told supporters not to vote for President Francois Mitterrand in next week's presidential election runoff.

"We are in a position of choosing between the bad and the worst," Le Pen told about 30,000 of his National Front followers in the Tuileries gardens in the heart of Paris Sunday.

Le Pen was eliminated along with six others in first-round voting April 24, but his surprisingly strong showing means his National Front followers could sway the

Le Pen called the May 8 vote 'a formality" — the socialist Mitterrand is widely considered a cinch to win. He told his supporters to organise for the future.

Chirac needs to pick up Le Pen, France's externe right lead- Pen's near 15 per cent share of the preliminary vote to stand any chance of defeating Mitterrand in the run-off ballot.

But Chirac, who according to opinion polls is trailing the 71year-old president by some 10 points, dare not risk being associated with Le Pen's extremist views. "If I had advised a vote for

Chirac, wouldn't we have heard... that I gave Jacques Chirac the kiss of death?" said Le Le Pen told his supporters they should vote against Mitterrand

but made no mention of backing Chirac, 55. "Not one single vote for Mitterrand. What is most important for France is to avoid Mitterrand's socialism." said Le Pen.

Kanak rebels demand Paris-based negotiator

NOUMEA (R) — Kanak separatist tribesmen holding 23 hostages in a cave refused to release them Monday unless France named a Paris-based mediator to start talks on independence for the South Pacific territory.

The Kanak Socialist National Liberation Front (FLNKS) rejected an offer by three local politicians to exchange themselves for the 22 gendarmes and a magistrate held on the island of Ouvea.

The FLNKS also reacted coolly to an attempt to mediate by a Roman Catholic archbishop. It said France was dragging

New Caledonia into a repeat of the bloody Algerian war of inde-The Melanesian Kanaks, who

account for 43 per cent of New Caledonia's 145,000 people, complain that pro-French white settlers hold a disproportionate share of the territory's wealth. A spokesman for the FLNKS

political bureau, speaking at a news conference, dismissed as a publicity stunt an offer by Melanesian senators Dick Ukeiwe and Maurice Nenou and white loyalist leader Jacques Lafleur to exchange themselves for

He said their offer was "grotesque, ridiculous and indecent."

"We are in a situation of real crisis. People do not expect this kind of gimmick." he added. FLNKS leaders said it was un-

likely the rebels would agree to talk to Archbishop Michel Calvet, who flew to Ouvea island Sunday to try to act as a mediator The archbishop has said he has

no mandate to carry out political negotiations. The separatists are holding their prisoners in a cave surrounded by 300 French troops.
The FLNKS spokesman said

the hostages were in good health but stressed they would only be released if French President Francois Mitterrand and Prime Minister Jacques Chirac agreed to name a Paris-based mediator to start talks on a formula and timetable for the territory's independence.

The spokesman said increasing military intervention across New Caledonia by French soldiers including marine patrols of the capital Noumea Sunday and a warship attack on armed Kanaks in the northeast Saturday - indicated France was sliding into "a dirty colonial war."

"The French government is becoming irreparably committed to the dangerous course of turning New Caledonia into another Algeria, he said.

U.S. proposes Taba compromise formula

ruling most of the Christian Carlucci said in a statement Fri-

Kayhan.

TEL AVIV (Agencies) The United States has proposed that Israel give sovereignty over a disputed Red Sea beach to Egypt but that the Zionist state retain effective control, an Israeli official said Monday.

U.S. State Department legal advisor Abraham Sofaer, now shuttling between Egypt and Israel, proposed the compromise over the 700-metre Taba to avoid a crisis between Israel and Egypt, the official told Reuters.

"The central point of the proposal is that Egypt assume formal sovereignty and its flag alone fly over the area.

"But there would only be symbolic Egyptian presence and Taba, whose sole installations are an Israeli hotel and beach club. would effectively continue to be run by Israelis," said the official.

who asked to not be identified. Taba has been a matter of contention since Israel returned the rest of Sinai to Egypt under the 1979 Camp David accords. "The appeal of such a solution

is that it would satisfy Egypt's basic claim for sovereignty, allow Israel to maintain installations it developed, and at the same time allow the area to be a manifestation of peace between us and Egypt." the official said.

Sofaer, who has declined to detail his proposals, presented them to Israeli Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin Monday after discussing them the previous day with Foreign Minister Shimon Peres and a top aide to Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir.

Israeli nationals would have free access to Taba and a system minal jurisdiction for visitors deal can be done." since there are no permanent residents in the area; the official

He played down reports in some Israeli newspapers that political rivals Shamir and Peres differed sharply on a reply to Sofaer and that the issue could lead to a domestic political crisis.

"I believe Shamir, Peres and Rabin are not that far apart on the issue and the three will meet soon to decide a reply, though there are questions Israel wants answered before," the official

Sofaer said Monday: "The only issue Egypt is inflexible on is the issue of sovereignty. Obviously Egypt wants an agreeent that satisfies Egyptian law, but that is a broad concept in which a great

Israel claims the 1906 delineation of the border between Egypt, then under British control, and Ottoman Palestine granted Taba to the now-defunct Ottoman empire.

But except for Israeli occupations in 1956 and from 1967, Taba was part of Egypt, though it had few inhabitants or buildings until Israel built a highway along the Sinai coast after the 1967 war. A Geneva-based international

ruling in July on the future of the The United States stepped in to find a compromise because the

arbitration board will deliver a

ruling could lead to a crisis between Israel and Egypt if it fell short of Egyptian desires, Israeli

would be set up concerning cri-

Grown Prince urges revision of student guidance policies

AMMAN (Petra) — His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan said Monday that by the year 2,000 Jordan will have 250,000 university graduates who would not be absorbed by the Jordanian or Arab labour markets, and therefore a revision of student guidance policies is required.

Prince Hassan said the country should recruit skilled people who would carry on with its scientific and technological accomplishments, and forge ahead with research required for develop-

Prince Hassan was addressing a meeting held at the Amman Community College, attended by Minister of Higher Education Nassereddin Al Assad, presidents of Jordanian universities and the college's teaching staff.

Prince Hassan said there was need for diversifying higher educational systems to render them more responsive to the needs of the Jordanian workforce and the community. And there was need for more proper measures to achieve a balance between the number of graduates in humanities and scientific subjects, and linking between the subject matter and the community's needs.

Prince Hassan stressed the need for inter-action between inter-related and homogenous subjects as an essential step to be taken in the course of overhauling the national educational pro-

He said emphasis should be laid on general knowledge rather than dictating information in the process of teaching, if the country tional leaders.

"Teachers should in fact serve as agents for bringing about social change," the Prince noted.

At the meeting, the Minister of Higher Education said that the Council of Higher Education has decided to set up a community college to train teachers who had completed their courses at community colleges.

A statute, bylaws and regulations for the projected two-shift college have been already laid down, and students will commence their courses in the coming academic year, the minister said.

Later Monday, Prince Hassan chaired a meeting for groups of educationists involved in the process of overhauling the educa-tional system at the Ministry of Education and suggested that all scientific and technological subjects at schools should be linked to practical work rather than be

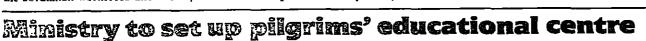
is to have self-dependent educa- confined to theoretical learning

Prince Hassan said that the country's educational system can only be developed with the help of efficient and qualified teachers who believe in their mission.

Several committees involved in the process of promoting the national educational system had embarked on their mission Sunday under the chairmanship of Minister of Education Thougan Hindawi who said that the promotion of the educational process is a national responsibility.

The Ministry of Education, through its national committees, is conducting a comprehensive revision of the syllabuses on a constant basis, Hindawi noted.

The minister underlined the importance of these committees, which he described as vital factors in promoting the educational system that caters for the development of the future generations.



AMMAN (Petra, J.T.) — The Ministry of Awqaf and Islamic Affairs is finalising designs for setting up an educational centre benefiting Jordanian would-be pilgrims to the holy places in Mecca and Medina, Minister of Awqaf and Islamic Affairs Abdul Aziz Al Khayyat announced

He said that the projected centre, the first of its kind in the Middle East, will be set up on a ministry-owned land in Nuzha district at the cost ranging from

JD 500,000 to JD 1 million. The centre will be an integrated complex comprising big open yards for pilgrims, a large lecture hall that could be used to screen religious documentary films, adjoining a large car park, a shopping centre and other facilities, the minister said at a press conference.

The minister also announced that registration of pilgrims to Mecca for the coming pilgrimage season starts Monday, May 2.

The ministry, which normally organises the pilgrimage for Jordanian Muslims, had studied previous experiments in this regard and introduced new regulations designed to ensure all neces-

Insurance company merger clarified

AMMAN (J.T.) - Dr. Raouf Abu Jaber, chairman of the United insurance Company (UIC), clarified Monday that a story that appeared in Monday's issue of the Jordan Times reporting the proposed merger between two insurance companies did not involve the UIC but the Jordan Insurance Company and Union Nationale S.A.L. of Lebanon, Dr. Abu Jaber noted that the UIC had already merged with Al Chark Insurance Company of Egypt and the New India Assurance Company of India.

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sary services for the pilgrims in the coming season, the minister

He said that the ministry has increased the number of companies which transport pilgrims to Mecca to 29 and divided them into five different groups, all qualified to transport the pil-

The minister reiterated that no more than 15,000 Muslims would he allowed to make the pilgrimage since that is the number that can be absorbed by the 29 companies and can be put up in camps at Arafat and Mina, near Mecca, where religious rites are held during the pilgrimage that precedes Al Adha Feast (the Feast of Sacrifice). Al Adha Feast is more than two months

"It was necessary to limit the number of pilgrims so that ample arrangements could be made for their accommodation in advance." the minister explained.

The minister made it clear that all transport companies were committed to renting homes in Medina and Mecca in accordance with specifications set by the

A team from the Ministry of Awgaf and Islamic Affairs has already visited the two cities and inspected arrangements for putting up the pilgrims, and approved of 46 buildings in Medina that can accommodate 13,392 pilgrims and 50 buildings in Mecca which can take up to 13.998 pilgrims, man-Baghdad road where the fire Khavvat noted.

supplied by special cards showing cles transporting them to the holy places, the number and location of buildings, floors and rooms where they would be put up ensure safety and proper travel Jabai Amman. and housing arrangements for the pilgrims.

The car overturned near the Shmeisani intersection hitting an

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According to the minister each pilgrim, travelling by air-conditioned buses, has to pay JD 257 and JD 247 in ordinary buses. The fees cover accommodation and transport from and to Mecca

In March the Ministry of Awqaf's Secretary General Abdul Salam Abbadi said that Jordan had received no notification from Saudi Arabia for limiting the Kingdom's pilgrims to Mecca this

Majali to head team for police chiefs conference

AMMAN (Petra) — Jordan is taking part in the second Arab police chiefs conference due to open in Tunis during the second half of May.

The conference will discuss a number of topics dealing with Arab security, promote inter-Arab cooperation in combating narcotics, and coordinate training courses for Arab police in this area of law enforcement.

Jordan will be represented at the upcoming conference by Pub-

lic Security Department (PSD) Director Abdul Hadi Al Majali, who will deliver a lecture outlining Jordan's experiments in applying a comprehensive security system in the country.

The first Arab conference for police chiefs, which was held in Amman, had recommended the application of Jordan's comprehensive security system in all Arab countries allowing all to benefit from Jordan's experiments in this particular domain

1 killed, 6 injured in road accidents on Labour Day

WHAT'S GOING ON

AMMAN (J.T.) One person was electric post and landed on the killed and four others were injured in a road accident which involved a fuel truck and a fire engine owned by the Civil Defence Department.

The Al Ra'i Arabic daily reported that the accident took place at Rweishid on the Amengine was assisting in putting out The minister said that all pil- a fire that broke out on a Jordagrims travelling by land will be man trailer carrying goods to Iraq. A truck with a Kuwaiti the type and the number of vehi- licence plate hit the trailer causing casualties and severe damage to the vehicles.

Al Ra'i also reported that two people were seriously injured in a during the pilgrimage so as to car accident at the Third Circle in for International Development

TODAY'S EVENTS

EXHIBITIONS

MUSEUMS

"Children's Heritage and Science Museum" Fun and knowledge for all ages, plus a small planetarium at the Haya Arts Centre. Open all week 9:00 a.m., - 1:00 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Closed on Friday.

Folkjore Museum: Jewetry and costumes over 100 years old. Also musaies from Madaba and Jerash (4th to 18th centuries). The Roman Theatre, American The Roman Theatre.

centuries) The Roman Theatre, Amman, Opening hours: 9,00 a.m.-5 p.m. Year-round, Tel. 651760.

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CORRECTION

In a story under the headline 'Haj Hassan, UNDP team discuss privatisation of PTC" in the April 28-29 issue, the Jordan Times inadvertently reported that a delegation from the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) held talks with Minister of Transport Khaled Al Haj Hassan. The delegation was from the United States Agency (USAID). The Jordan Times regrets the error.

Jordan Archaeological Museum: Has an excellent collection of the anti-quities of Jordan. Jabal Al Qal'a

(Citadel Hill). Opening hours: 9.00 a.m.-5.00 p.m. (Fridays and official holidays 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.)

SERVICE CLUBS

FOR THE TRAVELLER

Armenian Orthodox Church Ashra-fieh. Tel. 775261. St. Ephralm Church (Syrian Ortho-dox) Ashrafich, Tel. 771751. Amman International Church (Interdenominational): meets at Southern Baptist School in Shmeisani, Tel.

Evangelical Lutheran Church (Church

of the Good Shepherd) Amman, Arabic Service: Sunday 7 p.m. Rev. N. Smir 811295.
Reinbow Congregation. (meets at the Good Shepherd's Church) Interdenominational-ecumenical English Service: Saturday 6:30 p.m. Tel. 822605. Rev. Veli. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints (Mormon) Tel. 815817, 821264.

QUEEN ALIA INTERNATIONAL

ment to the labour law of 1952, officials.

His Majesty King Hussein talks to one of the injured students at the Jordan University Hospital in Amman Sunday (Petra photo)

King visits students

The hospital director, Dr. Rizk

Al Rashdan, said later that the

students were in good condition

and will be discharged in two days

The King was accompanied on the visit to the hospital by His

Royal Highness Crown Prince

Hassan. Prime Minister Zaid

Rifai. Chief of the Royal Court

Marwan Al Qasem and the

Jordanian Armed Forces Com-

mander in Chief Field Marshal

The fire broke out at a folkloric

exhibition held at the university's

women's dormitory early Suday

morning, according to Dean of

Student Affairs Hani Abdul

defence and the university's

The fire, which caused material damage, was put out on the first floor of the building by the civil

Mr. Abdul Rahman said the

fire, which broke out at 3 a.m.,

was caused by a short circuit. The

dean added that concerned par-

ties at the university began the

repair works to reaccommodate

the students to their appropriate

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Hussein, has clearly shown the

King's regard for human dignity

and that "man is the most pre-

cious asset we have in Jordan."

The Federation of Jordanian

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Sharif Zaid Ibn Shaker.

injured during fire

AMMAN (Petra) — His Majesty studies. King Hussein Sunday visited the The i

nine students who sustained in-

iuries as a result of a fire that

broke out at the University of

Jordan and enquired about their

The students, all females, sus-

tained some bruises when they

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door and the stairs in a rush to get

out of the building when the fire

The King talked to the injured

students who are being treated at

the Jordan University Hospital

and enquired after their health

and the medical care they were

receiving, wishing them speedy

hospital director and heard a

briefing on the circumstances of

the incident and the measures

appreciation of the various efforts

exerted by all concerned parties

in providing speedy aid to the

The King expressed readiness

to offer the students all necessary

medical care in any possible way.

so that they would recover as

AMMAN (Petra) — The Minis-

ter of Labour and Social De-

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hosted an iftar banquet on the

occasion of Labour Day in hon-

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Majesty King Hussein.

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It will be cold and partly cloudy, with chances of scattered rain, especially in the northern part. Winds will be northwesterly fresh. In Aqaba. winds will be northerly moderate and

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Rifai tours exhibitions at University of Jordan

Minister Zaid Rifai Sunday visited the University of Jordan and inspected items displayed at the exhibitions organised on the occasion of the university's annual festival.

Rifai also toured the exhibition set up by the Jordanian Armed Forces as a contribution to the festival.

He expressed appreciation of the students efforts to organise the festival and the exhibitions, and their cooperation with the Armed Forces to make the event a success. The prime minister was accom-

panied on the tour by the University President Abdul Salam Al Majali and a number of university Interior Minister Rajai Dajani.

later visited the university and toured the exhibitions. Majali opened the annual fes-

tival Saturday and delivered a speech in which he praised the support that His Majesty King Hussein and His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan have extended to the development of the university.

He said the university, through continued royal support, has become "a source of pride."

Majali said the academic education offered at the university was created in a way to allow for practical application with daily practicalities.

He said that the university programme varies so as not to centre on academics only but also includes field trips and sports to develop the physical abilities of the students.

The dean of student affairs, Dr. Hani Abdul Rahman, described the university festival as "means of acquainting the stu-

AMMAN (Petra, J.T.) - Prime dents with the different specialisations offered at the university with an aim to develop

their skills." Abdul Rahman added that the university also aims to introduce the university and its students to the Jordanian society to allow them to get an inside look at the

future generations of the country. The opening ceremony included musical performances, folk dances and a show by the Jordanian Armed Forces Brass Rand.

All sections of the university participated in the festival. They prepared art shows, maps and calligraphy exhibitions, flower shows, as well as exhibitions by different faculties of the university which presented an outline of their different academic activi-

The opening ceremony was attended by different officials from the university as well as a large number of citizens.

Former senator dies

MMAN (Petra) — Former member of Upper House of Parliament (Senate) Wadie Di'mes passed away in his hometown of Beit Jala in the West Bank, Saturday, April 30, according to an amouncement by Senate Speaker Ahmad Lawzi. Di'mes had served as a member of the Senate under the reign of the late King Abdullah and His Majesty King Hussein before

Patriarch visits Madaba

MADABA (Petra) — The Roman Catholic Patriarch of Jerusalem Michael Sabbah, who is on a visit to the Jordan, visited Madaba Sunday and was greeted by its district governor and other notables from the city and its John Paul II. neighbouring regions.

The patriarch held a mass at the Roman Catholic Church in the city and later met with notables and leading figures, who congratulated him on his appointment to his current post by Pope

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

FAYEZ MEETS ENVOY: Speaker of the Lower House of Parliament Akef Al Fayez Monday reviewed bilateral relations with Chinese Ambassador to Jordan Chang Jin.

KHASAWNEH MEETS POET: Information Minister Hani Khasawneh Monday received renowned Arab poet Nizar Qabbani. Qabbani, a Syrian, is currently on a visit to Jordan. He has been invited by the Arab Thought Forum (ATF).

CONFERENCE ON AIDS: Jordan will be taking part in the fourth international conference on acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS) scheduled to be held in Abu Dhabi in October.

TEACHING OF ARABIC: Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Director of the Language Centre at the University of Jordan Monday discussed with Dr. Basel Hatem from Harriet Watt University in Britain, cooperation between the two universities in the fields of

translation and teaching of Arabic for non-native speakers of Arabic. LICENCE PLATES: The Public Security Department (PSD). Monday called on owners of vehicles to renew their licence plates. within one month from Wednesday, May 4, 1988. PSD sources said that the Vehicle Licensing Department was ready to repaint vehicle licence plates free of charge within hours. Violators will be fined if

they do not renew or clean their licence plates before the deadline.

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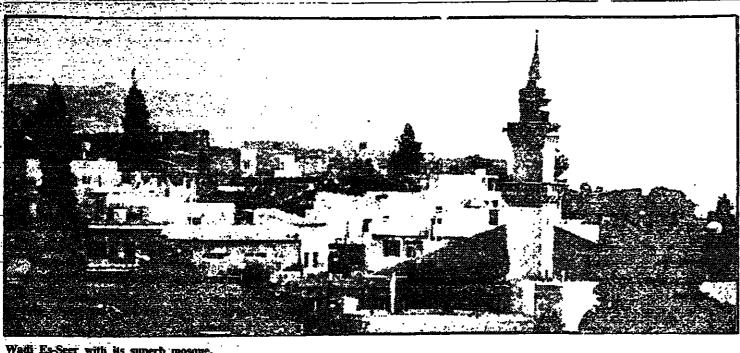
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Circassians, Chechens strongly cherish, preserve their traditions'

Caucasians: Remarkable architecture, colourful traditions

The following article is part of three of Ammar Khammash's book Notes on Village Architecture in Jordan, which the Jordan Times is serialising over the coming few weeks. Khammash's book was part of the requirement for his Bachelor degree from the University of Southwestern Louisiana. Photos and sketches appearing with these articles were first exhibited at Southwestern in March 1986. The publication of the book was funded by The Royal Endowment for Culture and Education, of the Noor Al Hussein Foundation. The book is available for sale at the foundation's head office at the Housing Bank Complex.

The people: A brief account

COMING from adjacent regions in the Caucasus mountains in Russia, the Circassians and the Chechens exhibit differences which seem minimal when they are, together, compared to other inhabitants of the Arab World. The Circassians are from Circassia which lies on the Black Sea to the north of the Caucasus mountains; the Chechens are from the Checheno-Ingush Republic, a region east of Circassia, on the northern slopes of the Caucasus mountains.

Arriving at the end of the mineteenth century, the Circassians and the Chechens contributed to the overall architectural expansion of the gened. Being of the Islamic faith, they had experienced great hardship in Russia, and refuge was to be found to the south in Turkey, and later in the Middle East. "Beni Chechen came from Caucasia in 1902. After they became Muslims, our forefathers fought in Russia for 650 years. During this time some went to Mecca for the Hajj. These pilgrims returned to Caucasia but subsequently fled, with Jerusalem as their destination. On their way, some settled in Turkey where a majority died of disease. Others went to Syria, Iraq and Jordan. Due to regional wars in the early 1900s, they settled in Zerga, Es-Sukhneh and Swalleh. They discovered the Azraq (oasis) later and used it as a base for raising livestock since it provided water and grazing land.

When we first came to Swaileh there was no one living here; it was in a forest, and we dwelt in caves. Later on people from Hebron and some Circassians came to Swaileh. Also, some Turkomans were living in Hummar (to the west). And, finally, the locals from surrounding areas settled in after they got used to living in

stone houses.

Notwithstanding a high rate of intermarriage between these Caucasian peoples and the Arabs, the Circassians and the Chechens strongly cherish and preserve their traditions. They are bilingual, speaking their own language at home and Arabic in the marketplace. Among all the traditions they brought to Jordan, architecture is the most visible. For Jordanians coming from other regions, walking in some of the neighbourhoods in the villages of Swaileh, Wadi Es-Seer, or Na'ur was, until the 1950s, like travelling to another country.

Caucasus architecture

This is an example of architecture preserved by a culture that evolved in an environment totally unrelated to that of the site where construction took place. The Caucasus house exemplifies ways of living preserved and brought from Caucasia to Jordan. The existence of this unconventional architecture is legitimate as it contained and protected its inhabitants during their period of adaptation to an unfamiliar environment. Ecologically the Caucasus house is not as

efficient as the usual fellahi house which is a p. reduct of the place in which it was constructed. Because the Cai casian-type houses represent a minority among the rest of the fellahi-type houses in Jordan, their ecological effects have been limited in scope and confined to the area where they were built.

In a typical fellahi house, the wood used as one of the building materials is limited in size and quantity. Wide arches on which small limbs and branches rest do the job of large beams. In the Caucasian house, the entire ceiling is carried on wooden beams of a size that is found only with much difficulty.

Before addressing the floorplan of the Caucasian house. I find it appropriate to consider building materials and the way in which they are used. For con-structing walls — bearing walls the Chechens used sun-dried mud-brick in their houses in Swaileh. A mixture of dark red soil and straw, the bricks were made in a standard size that is easy to carry and to stack. The use of this mud-brick contributed to a certain uniformity of thickness of the walls and a consistent treatment of the fenestration and other details, both interior and exterior. After the relatively easy and fast contruction of the walls. they were plastered and whitewashed, not only for aesthetic reasons, but more important,

for water-proofing. Although the use of mud-brick is unusual in this case, examples of brick structures are found in different areas and of different historical periods. The two natural and regular uses of mud-brick are in the Jordan Valley and the semiarid land towards the west. To visualise the distribution of brick use in the country, we can imagine two strips stretching along both sides of the mountains and running from north to south. Except for the Caucasian houses, the mountain houses are built of stone. Examples of mud-brick houses can be seen in villages along the railway - Mafraq and Ma'an, for instance — where the use of brick could have been dictatd by the scarcity of appropriate stone and by the incidence of heavy rains that would cause mud walls to dissolve.

The woodwork in the Caucasian house is remarkable; it is easily noticed as it contrasts with the unsophisticated utilisation of wood by the locals who, instead, mastered the use of stone. Coming from a country which must have been greener than Jordan, these people arrived with a tradition a woodworking that had been inherited from previous generations.

The roof of a Caucasian house is of post-and-beam construction made of huge timbers. Well-dressed beams span the short dimension of the rooms or rest on a square wooden column in the middle of the room. The top of this column is usually capped with an elaborate wooden joint designed to join two beams as one; for lateral stability wooden bars. centimetres in diameter, are hammered into special holes to prevent the beams from sliding

The porches of these houses clearly display the construction methods and the woodworking skills of these people, the porch itself being an architectural element which evolved from the particular way in which the Caucasian houses were constructed. The most notable element of the Caucasian house is the porch. It not only defines the front entrance of the house, but it also adds an element that affects the overall architectural fabric of Caucasian neighbourhood. In most of these houses the

porch faces north, an orientation fellahi house since the smoke was

had come to Jordan from a cooler climate, desired to limit the amount of sonlight entering their Often people wonder where the huge pieces of wood used in

Caucasian houses came from. Obviously, all the wood in these houses is from the oak forest that once covered the area west of Amman, between Swaileh and Na'ur. One of the old Chechens noted that when his grandfather arrived in Swaileh, the settlement was in a forest. It is easy to imagine the hills west of Amman covered with huge oak trees if one has seen the woods of Al 'Aluk or the huge trees of Yajuz, 2 few kilometres east of Swaileh.

Caucasian houses reveal the different lifestyle of their owners most clearly through a special layout, a floorplan in which the different activities of daily life take place. This is one of the architectural aspects that one could use to read the established movement and patterns of behaviour that is somewhat recorded in the placement of walls. doors, windows and even rooms in relationship to one another. But at the same time it should be kept in mind that the resulting floorplan is also affected by structural and economic factors such as the length of available wooden beams and the economy of grouping rectangular rooms There is a remarkable contrast between the Caucasian house and the fellahi house of a typical Jordanian village. In a fellahi house the different activities of the inhabitants are not strictly pinned to a specialised area of the house; thus, the concept of a floorplan is often inapplicable. Since the fellahi house is usually made up of one big room, the interior may be divided, according to its common utilisation, into two parts: The perimeter and the centre. In the perimeter the storage facilities fill in the niches that occur between the structural arches, rounding off the central space which is most of what is left for living. In the middle of the living space is the non-chimney fireplace. The Caucasian house has a floorplan in the Western sense, with different rooms for different purposes, separated by walls and connected by doorways. The porch serves as a corridor from which most rooms are accessible.

The least specialised and least private part of the house, the porch is a very big, partially shaded summer living room that extends into the village.

In the Swaileh house of Aamer

Ayub Abdallah Al Shishani, built approximately in 1919, the various rooms of the house are arranged in a linear plan that forms a total rectangle 5.30 metres wide and 16.60 metres long. From this example, representative of most of the typical Caucasian houses, the plan could be summarised as a number of rooms gathered in a row with a porch on one side. In this house, all the rooms connect to each other except one that has a door on the porch and connects with the living room only by way of a small window. Because of its partial isolation from the rest of the house, it may be surmised that this was a room for receiving and accommodating a guest. The window, which is in the wall between the living room and the guesfroom, seems to have been for handing food through, and, because that wall has a fireplace which can warm both rooms, the food must have reached the guest while it was still hot.

Fireplaces with a chimney are rarely found in the traditional architecture of Jordan. Such a thing would never be found in a

suggesting that these people, who used to fumigate the house and protect if from insects, in particular, ceiling termites. The Caucasians brought the idea of a chimney with them and used it not because they needed it in the warmer climate, but rather because they were accustomed to having them in their former homes in the north. The fireplaces are found in various loca-- in the middle of an interior wall or an exterior wall, or in a corner (a triangular chimney). Another kind of fireplace used for cooking and for heating. a kurk, is also found in these houses. Only one other example of these fireplaces is found in the Turkoman village of El Rumman; it possesses a chimney; the fire-place is large and crudely built.

In the village of Wadi Es-Seer one finds a variety of architectural styles. This village must have Hlasheh. been most delightful during the first half of the century. Its superb mosque has one of the best articulated minarets in Jordan and is similar to the old mosque of Es Salt in the way it is roofed with red tiles and in the style of the minaret. It is very likely that both of the mosques were constructed by the same masons since the stone used in both is the same soft yellow limestone.

One house in Wadi Es-Seer that is worth mentioning is a liwan-type house with two crossvaulted rooms with a barrelvaulted liwan in between. This house was built, around 1895, of a yellow stone similar to that of

Es-Salt, by a builder from Nab-lus. It belongs to Haj Ibrahim

At one time, all the villages of Swaileh, Wadi Es-Seer, and Na'ur had mixed houses - some Caucasian, some fellahi, and some of the West Bank style. Most of the traditional houses, alas, do not exist anymore due to the proximity of these villages to Amman. I saw only five Caucasian houses in Swaileh, seven or eight in Wadi Es-Seer, and perhaps ten in Na'ur. Amman probably has none. The only two complete houses of the village of Amman are the two fellahi houses on the cliff just south of the Roman amphitheatre.

Besides remarkable obstructing the passageway.

architecture, music, dance and costumes with silverwork, the Caucasians also brought to Jordan wooden carriages of innovative design. These wheeled vehicles were made of a long baskeury container fixed on a framework of wood with two wooden wheels that had metal rings around them. I still clearly remember finding, about ten years ago, 2 cave with four or five of these carriages kept inside. This cave, which is on the southern slope of one of the hills across the road from Jordan University, has a fig tree growing at its entrance. The carriages were hard to move because their wheels were partially embedded in dry silt and because part of the entrance had collapsed

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Riyadh's blunt message

SAUDI Arabia's decision to sever diplomatic relations with Iran comes as no surprise. If anything, it was overdue, given Tehran's open defiance of all norms of international relations and its aggressive behaviour, whether in the waters of the Gulf or in the holy places in Saudi Arabia. We can only praise the patience and optimism that appear to have been behind Riyadh's policy of continued deference of a definite decision on relations with Iran and its hope for improved relations through dialogue, despite the war-like stand adopted by the revolutionary regime in Tehran. The very fact that Iran has repeatedly called for the overthrow of the ruling family in Saudi Arabia should have brought about a severance of relations and no one could blame Riyadh for

Needless to say, it was not only Iran's arrogant insistence that the pilgrimage is an occasion fer political rallies that brought about the Saudi conviction that no useful purpose could be served by maintaining normal relations with Tehran, but also repeated Iranian aggression on shipping linked to Saudi Arabia and other Arab states in the Gulf.

All these elements are, of course, offshoots of the core of what now appears to be heading for an open Arab-Persian confrontation in the region; the truth is that Iranian designs aim at creating as much instability as possible in the Gulf, through exporting the revolutionary brand of Islam and its own interpretations of Islamic behaviour and code of conduct, with the ultimate aim of imposing Iranian tutelage over all the countries in the vicinity.

The Saudi move to cut off forma! relations will hinder Iran's unmistakable plans for a fiercer re-run of the Mecca incidents during last year's pilgrimage. The Saudi decision is a political message to all those in the region and elsewhere who advocate dialogue with Iran. It is a very clear message, that despite everything there is little hope of achieving positive results through engaging Tehran's rulers in any kiad of dialogue that doesn't suit their fanatical thinking.

ARABIC PRESS EDITORIALS

Al Raï: Workers against Zionists

ON Sunday the workers of the world celebrated Labour Day which reminds people of the workers' pioneering role in construction and production: and also in supporting liberation movements in every part of the world. The workers take pride in being the vanguards leading the world towards freedom from subjugation, hegemony. racism and foreign domination. In our days, the struggle against neo-Nazism and foreign domination is embodied in the Pulcstinian people's fight against Israeli occupation in the Arab lands. The fight against Israel is one against the enemies of man and the enemies of freedom and the enemies of workers who lead the struggle and the work for construction and production. This day is a reminder of the workers' role in the fight against the Zionist forces and the students of Hitler who have mastered the art of terrorism and are practising all forms of atrocities against the Arab people of Palestine. This anniversary calls on all workers of the world and all peace loving nations to support the Palestinian workers who are struggling for liberation and who are facing inhuman Israeli practices every day. Labour Day ought to serve as a springboard for a new world labour movement against Israeli terrorism in all its forms. On this day, the workers of the world ought to declare that terrorism against the Palestinians is directed against the workers of the world, and that all efforts should be directed against Israel's oppression and occupation and aimed at ending Israel's occupation which is the root cause of all

Al Dustour: King's wisdom, courage

JORDAN takes pride in celebrating King Hussein's assumption of his constitutional powers which marks a long march of sacrifice and giving for the Jordanian family. On this anniversary, Jordanians remember the great care and affection of King Hussein and his wisdom and relentless courage. This is a dear occasion for the Jordanian family and acquires a special and distinguished position in the heart of all the people, since it reminds us of the long record of achievements realised by the monarch for the benefit of his country and countrymen. King Hussein, working under the bunner of the Great Arab Revolt has been able to steer the Jordanian family away from all trouble and enabled his countrymen to overcome all challenges and hardships. Under King Hussein Jordan has been steadfast in the face of all dangers and all ordeals, transforming this country into a fortress confronting all aggressors. The King transformed this Kingdom into an easis of security, marked by resolve and determination in the face of hardships. Over the past 35 years, Jordan has been able to deepen the sense of belonging to the nation among his people and cement the cohesion within the Jordanian family. He also succeeded in building bridges of confidence between the Jordanian citizens and the government. Under King Hussein. Jordan has been able to come a long way towards achieving prosperity and progress.

Sawt Al Shaab: In defence of nation

KING Hussein summed up the Jordanian position under the present circumstances, reiterating the country's determination to overcome all difficulties and forge forward with confidence. At present the King said Jordan along with the rest of the Arab Nation is confronting a host of challenges in view of its geographical position. and its importance. But through determination, sacrifice and resolve to defend the homeland, this nation will be able to protect the Arab. order and to strengthen its forces and also to confront all attempts to impose tutchage, and hogerron in the Arab World. The King said that his great grandfather Al Heisem Ion Ali exerted all his efforts to sprotect Palestinum Laid and people and his son. King Abdullah fellas moreon in detence of the holy find.

RJ: A great success story

By Waleed Sadi

WITHOUT a doubt. Royal Jordanian Airline is one of the great success stories in Jordan. Having inherited a legacy of repeated, yet unsuccessful attempts to establish a viable national Jordanian airline which date back to 1946. Royal Jordanian came to being in 1963 with a distinct limp and had to struggle with unprecedented unyielding determination, vigour and innovative ideas to overcome the formidable odds working against its survival. Against such a backdrop, the birth, survival and proven competitiveness and well documented success of Royal Jordanian inspite of the most unfavourable regional and international conditions, political or economic, becomes a model to emulate and a perfect case study to refer to in relevant text books on how to succeed and prosper in dire conditions which should have spelled disaster.

This remarkable achievement by Royal Jordanian prompted me to poke deeply into the inner reasons that lie behind its extraordinary success. Indeed one is hard put to pinpoint with accuracy the factor or combination of factors which have contributed to its assured success. On the face of it. Royal Jordanian should not have succeeded much less arrive at its present destination. The major economic disruptions in the region caused by the Israeli wars of aggression against the Arab states in the Middle East wrought havoc, both political and economic, to the region as a whole and exacerbated the general political and economic climate in the Middle East. At this juncture, one can argue with a reasonable degree of accuracy that the decision by Royal Jordanian to become a state corporation in the wake of the 1967 Israeli-Arab war was one of the major earlier landmarks in its history which had rescued it from certain demise. That particular rescue mission by the government of Jordan made a difference between life and death for the airline in times when local and foreign capital was shy to bolster and fortify its competitive edge and offset the economic hardships that ensued from the overail instability that shrouded the Middle East region. Seen from this vintage point of view, that early Jordanian experiment with nationalisation of a private corporation had proved its feasibility and success because of the flexible and down to earth approach to the whole exercise and the absence of crippling and suffocating dogma that prevented this early experimentation from coming to fruition. And sure enough, when the nirline became able to stand on its feet and succeeded in attaining unrivalled expansion of its world wide network, it began to contemplate once again, and in an equally flexible and down to earth manner, the restoration of its status quo ante by offering to privatise the corporation once again. And with all fairness, whether Royal Jordanian becomes a private corporation or remains for the time being a state corporation, the manner of the conduct of its business and operations remains the same - efficient and profit-oriented management run more like a free-enterprise establishment than a stagnant, inefficient and unproductive state agency.

How this national airline rose from the ashes of other earlier Jordanian airlines which met early death in their infancy and from a meager company with a very modest fleet composed of one DC-7 and two Heralds to a glorious stardom in the airline business and a magnificent fleet made up of Airbuses. Boeings and Lockheed aircrafts is the intriguing question that haunts executives of other similar airlines. The search for the answer to this challenging inquiry lead me painstakingly to the one and only secret that stand large behind the success story of Royal Jordanian, to wit, the enduring commitment of His Majesty King Hussein to the Jordanian national airliner inspite of constant storms that were stirred by the sceptics, pessimists and down right enemies of the airliner. This unswerving royal support to the airline has made it possible for it to wither away all the bumps put in its paths. In conjunction with this indispensable royal support. Royal Jordanian profited deeply from the dynamic. Elexible and expansionist strategy adopted and implemented by its Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Ali Ghandour and his team of trusted aides and assistants who were hand picked by him and nurtured all along the way to the highest posts in the hierarchy of the corporation. Right from the word go, this bold strategy became the motto of Royal Jordanian and its code name as well; and this caused it to prosper and expand when many people had forecasted doom, gloom and imminent disaster to the airline. Chairman Ghandour made sure that his men were like-minded people who would share, appreciate and support his grand strategy for the airline and assure full harmony and cooperation in its running and operation. This very bold recipe of expansion in response to slumpness in revenues and decrease in air traffic had proved its worth in the running of Royal Jordanian and substantiated the proposition that such a tried and hitherto unexplored ingenuity in the operation of the airline has indeed made the difference between life and death for Royal Jordanian. To put it more succinctly, this article of faith in the strategy of constant and flexible expansion to deal with hardships and dire political and economic conditions which permeated life in the Middle East for so long, has been and still is the open-secret reason for its success. Timidity has never had a place in Royal Jordanian and never will. But will Royal Jordanian ever become the Swiss Air of the Middle East is another matter. There is

obviously a lot to do before the stature of the airline can rise to such high points. However one thing seems to be sure: With the introduction of ever more improvements to the airline, whether in the quality of the in-flight or off-flight services, or the precision of its maintenance which already meets the requirements of the U.S. Federal Aviation Agency (FAA) or the frequency of the utilisation of equipment without interfering with high-standard maintenance or damage to its punctuality, or the optimum use of its resources including aggressive resort to automation and computerisation, or adding more and more gateways to its already massive network, the airline has but one way to go upward. It is noteworthy that Royal Jordanian had already achieved the rank of "first" among other regional airlines in operating flights to New York and to other North American gateways such as Los Angeles, Chicago, Miami and Montreal. The airline is also planning to introduce flights to other far away destinations such as Tokyo. Sydney and Rio de

This is not to suggest that all is perfect with the airline and that there are no "bugs" here and there that await rectification. To be sure, the airline is plagued with grave challenges which by itself cannot confront. Some of these challenges and threats are of a generational nature in the sense that the decades ahead in civil and commercial aviation will eventually pose to Royal Jordanian and indeed all other regional and international airlines the question of survival in an increasingly deregulated airline market. That fact has led Chairman Ghandour to propose to the Arab Air Carriers Organisation during their last meeting held in Amman that the Arab airlines must consider merging togethering to face the competitiveness which will be posed by the anticipated mergers between several European and North American airlines. The phenomenon of merger between arrlines will surely accelerate on the world scene in the course of the coming decades and there is but one way left for the Arab airlines to meet and that is by merging among themselves. One would hope that the leadership in the airline business in the Arab World will respond favourably to the proposal of Ghandour in the shortest possible time in order to help prepare them for the ensuing danger to their existence and survival that looms in the horizon. Besides, such a united Arab move would also pave the way to stronger united Arab infrastructure mergers. Through such concrete achievements, the foundation of Arab unity could be consolidated and fortified. If Royal Jordanian can succeed in pushing forward this giant leap towards Arab unity it would make its success story a truly success story on more than one front.

U.S. presidential election — 1988

Dukakis: U.S. must change with changing world

The following is one of a series in which the U.S. Information Agency (USIA) offers, in their own words, the 1988 U.S. presidential candidates' views on foreign policy affairs and other issues of international interest. These excerpts are from two speeches in early April by Democratic candidate Michael Dukakis outlining his position on human rights, U.S.-Soviet relations, the Middle East, regional issues, and the war on drugs.

I WANT to build an America that is both militarily and economically strong. I want to lead an America that is a force for peace and democracy and human rights around the world.

Over the past three years, we have seen the rise of new Soviet glasnost and economic reform. Leaders who seem to understand are calling for international cooperation in settling regional dis-

But we have learned from history that we must judge the Soviet Union, not by words, but

by_deeds. The next president must test the so-called "new thinking." He must challenge the Soviets to go beyond the INF Treaty to make verifiable cuts in strategic weapons; to stop nuclear tests; and to restore a balance of conventional forces in Europe. He should explore Gorbachev's willinguess to work together to cool - rather than fuel - the fires of regional conflict.

And he should insist that the Soviet Union live up to its obliga-tions under the Helsinki Accords - to let Jews and other minorities leave if they wish, and let them worship freely and pass on their heritage to their children if

they stay. When he was in the United States last December, Gorbachev became irritated when he was asked about human rights. He said that human rights were an internal matter. But of all the lessons we learned during World War II, the greatest was this: Human rights must never again be considered just an internal matter.

As a nation, and as individuals. we must speak out: we must reach out to those who are struggling for the same rights that we here in the United States so often take for granted. Because we know that when we speak out, we do make a difference, especially when we speak out together.

Mideast

We in the United States cannot and we should not try - to impose a peace settlement on the

But peace in the Middle East is essential. To us. To Israel. To the Palestinian people. To all who live in the region and who want to build a life of opportunity and hope. And the United States is the only nation with the resources and the influence and the commitment to help bring about a Umon. With the right leadership,

listing peace. For this reason, I welcome the Shultz initiative. Although i do not agree with every aspect of the plan, its goal is Israel's goal - to convince Arab leaders to come to

the bargaining table. Now I am not going to tell you that if I am elected president, the proclems that have plagued the especially in the Middle East?

Middle East throughout our lifetimes will disappear. But I can tell you that a Dukakis administration will not wait for an outbreak of violence to exercise leadership in the Middle East.

We will be working for peace from the day we take office until leadership. Leaders who speak of the day we leave office. We will use every ounce of energy ve have to persuade Arab leaders to the cost and the danger of the unterinto direct negotiations with nuclear arms race. Leaders who Israel. We will strengthen our strategic partnership with Israel.

We will oppose arms sales that would endanger the security of Israel or her people, particularly the sale of sophisticated weapons to nations that are in a state of war with Israel or that are unwilling to participate in the peace process.

We will reach out to those on all sides. Arab and Jew, who want to choose peace over war: who yearn for ploughshures instead of swords.

We will make it clear to the Soviet Union that if it is serious about wanting to play a constructive role in bringing Israel and Arab states together, it must establish diplomatic relations with Israel: it must stop voting to expel Israel from the U.N.; and it must use its influence with Syria to gain support for peace.

East-West relations

Over the past three years, we have seen the rise of new leadership in the Soviet Union, Leadership that may offer us a chance to stop the arms race and begin the murch toward a more stable and peaceful world.

Next month, President Reagan will meet with Gorbachev in Moscow. That, itself, is testimony to the changing times. We have an INF ogreement. And we have the opportunity to do much more; negotiations for deep cuts in strategic arms; negotiations for conventional force reduction in Europe with deeper cuts on the Soviet side: a nuclear test ban treaty. For all of these reasons, all Americans look forward to that summit meeting in Moscow. But our expectations are limited. By the failure of our own government to push ahead strongly enough, especially on arms control. And by the symbols of disappointment and tragedy from the Soviet past; by names that echo through the decades like the tolling of funeral bells: Berlin, Hungary, Prague, Afghanistan, Poland, Siberia, And Sakharovs and Shcharanskys and Solzhenitsyns by the tens of thousands.

We can stand up to the Soviet we can rebuild our economy. But can we cool the fires of the regional wars and the violence that loday threaten whole areas of the world; wars that cut up pillions of dollars and waste thousands of human lives; and that endanger our own security and that of our friends and allies,

Regional conflicts

Regional wars are more dangerous than ever. Because the weapons available to the combatants are more deadly than ever: Silkworms. Exocets. Stingers. Soviets Scuds and SS-21s. Poison gas. And now Chinese East Wind missiles in Saudi Arabia. The list goes on. The danger grows. The war between Iran and raq is now in its eighth year.

What is the international community doing? Selling arms to the combatants and making profits

doing? Re-flagging eleven Kuwait tankers. We need strong multi-lateral

sanctions to stop the war in the Gulf. We need an arms embargo. We should challenge China and

the Soviet Union to join the agreement recently signed by Japan and the Western powers to stop the sale of long range missiles to all countries in the Middle

We must enlist every nation we

can in the effort to ban poison gas What is the United States and to impose tough sanctions against any country dumb enough and savage enough to use these weapons against their fellow hu-

man beings. We must re-affirm our permanent commitments to the strength and security and defence of the state of Israel; and we must redouble our efforts to bring permanent peace to the Middle

ders for Israel and a future for the Palestinian people as well.

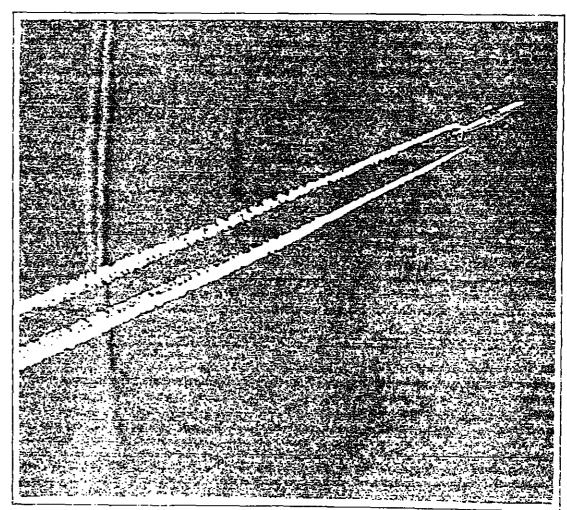
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yay in the fight against terrorism. No concessions. Ever. No arms sales. Ever. A tough, no-holds barred assault against the international criminals who continue to threaten the lives of innocent men, women, and children.

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Chirac denies he freed Gordji in deal with Iran

NANTES, France (R) - Prime Minister Jacques Chirac, one of two remaining candidates in French presidential elections, has angrily denied he had overruled French justice to-make a private deal with Iran.

Chirac, trailing 10 per cent behind his Socialist rival François Mitterrand in the latest popularity polls, said Saturday Mitterrand's allegations in a televised debate Thursday were lies.

Mitterrand had accused the conservative candidate of allowing Vahid Gordji, an Iranian suspected of being implicated in 1986 bomb attacks in Paris, to leave France although he knew the Iranian embassy interpreter

Gordji was unexpectedly released last November after five months hiding out in his country's Paris embassy, immediately after Muslim fundamentalists in west Beirut freed two French hos-

The double released aroused widespread speculation that Chirac's government had made a secret deal with Iran to secure the freedom of the two Frenchmen.

Chirac, who during the debate denied the allegations and said he had never interfered in judicial affairs, returned to the attack at a campaign rally eight days before the May 8 run-off against the Socialist favourite.

Recalling Mitterrand's televised comments on Gordji, he warned French electors "not to trust anyone who has such contempt for the truth and aptitude for deception.

"Someone who cheats will cheat again. He has cheated too much to be trusted... he's cunning, he's clever, and you must be on your

PLO rejects reports of plans | S. Arabia warns Iran to bomb Philippine U.S. base political rallies in

Liberation Organisation (PLO) spokesman Monday denied re-ports that the PLO had sent its members into the Philippines to plant bombs at a U.S. military

The denial was issued to news agencies Monday by Mohammad Hassan Hamdona, official PLO representative in the Philippines.

Hamdona said the reports were absurd and designed to deflect the Philippine government and people from (their) growing acceptance of the Palestinian's cause and their opposition to the continued repression being waged by Israel against the Palestinian people."

The PLO maintains an office in Manila. Since last year, the organisation has requested permission to open an embassy here, but the Philippine government has taken

The PLO had nothing to do with the alleged plan against the base, "if indeed such a plot exists," Hamdona said. "Neither is the PLO interested in terrorism

of any kind now or in the future."

Hamdona said the news leak linking the PLO to the alleged plot was an attempt by unidentified forces to "internationalise and artificially link the current situation of the U.S. bases (here) and the Palestinian people's uprising in the Israeli-occupied ter-

Angeles City police chief Orlando Macaspac said the investigation of Ghesan Shooat Bakhsh, 32, of Iran, and Kamil Shariff Babi, 32, of Iraq, had provided no evidence the two

officials said. The roundups occurred amid heightened security following receipt by Philippine officials of an were linked to the alleged plot.

> Police immediately stepped up patrols around Angeles after receiving the report Thursday, set up checkpoints to inspect vehicles entering the city and posted operatives at hotels, restaurants and

connection with the investigation. "We have found nothing against them," Macaspac told re-

porters. He said the two were turned over Monday to immigration authorities, but would remain in police detention pending the immigration commission's investiga-

During last week's arrests. police also picked up an off-duty U.S. soldier and an Australian tourist who were mistaken for Palestinians because of their beards, but both men were released after an identity check,

intelligence report apparently from Israel, that Palestinians planned to bomb Clark air base and bars frequented by U.S. servicemen during the weekend.

Mecca in July would be met with force.

Iranians) to repeat this," he said.

security forces were responsible.

states except Iran.

KUWAIT (R) — Saudi Arabia has warned Iran that

political demonstrations at the annual pilgrimage in

Any departure from the basic over quotas. Tehran said it wanted to send 150,000 pilgrims to Mecca where rituals of the pilgrimage will be met with force, and the Iranians know this." Interior Minister they would demonstrate against Prince Nayef Ibn Abdul Aziz told the United States and Israel. the Kuwaiti daily Al Siyassah in Rivadh insisted that numbers be an interview published Monday. limited to 45,000 and banned The kingdom would not allow a demonstrations.

Mecca will be crushed

repeat of last year's riots in which "Islamic countries have demore than 400 people were kilcided on 45,000 Iranian pilgrims. led. "We will not allow them (the and more will not arrive in the kingdom. We are implementing a Riyadh blamed Iranians for the decision of Islamic states," the deaths, while Tehran said Saudi minister said, referring to the Islamic foreign ministers' meeting Prince Nayef said that any pilin Amman last March.

grims without proper entry pap-Some 150,000 Iranians ers will be returned to their attended last year's pilgrimage. but Prince Nayef said numbers had to be cut because of inadequcountries." He vowed to enforce new pilgrim quotas, saying they had been approved by all Islamic ate housing in Mecca. Giant new housing complexes built by the Saudi Arabia cut ties with Iran private sector with state support April 26 after 10-months of recri- would be ready in three years, he minations capped by the dispute said.

States, Mexico and Panama.

new era in Iranian history.

He accused Iran of trying to "export terrorism" by recruiting Saudi youth and using diplomatic cover to smuggle weapons into

the kingdom. King Fahd has said Iran smuggled 90 suitcases full of explosives into the kingdom last year in a bid

to occupy Islam's holy shrines. Prince Nayef told AP Siyasseh: "We severed relations with Iran because we do not want to leave a channel through which Saudi security could be undermined." He said: "They attempted to

export terrorism but failed." "They tried to recruit some young people but we discovered their attempts in time and these young people have conceded and asked to be forgiven." he said.

"The security organs know what has been committed under diplomatic cover. I don't think they were able to smuggle important weapons but through the diplomatic pouch, they may have managed to bring limited things, Prince Navef added.

King voices pride in Palestinian uprising

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League Charter. After the war, we are constantly involved in a process of bringing about a settlement based on justice, though we did not give up building strength and defending the nation against enemy aggression. Today we have a 120,000 strong army, fully qualified in warfare and backed by the People's Army and a large number of reserves, all ready to protect this land with our souls and defend the rights of the Arab

We call for an international conference for the implementation of Security Council Resolutions 242 and 338 which ensure an Israeli withdrawal from the occupied Arab territories and a just and lasting solution for the Palestine problem. Since our aim is to find a solution for the Palestine problem, the Palestinian people and their representatives must participate in the negotiations for a settlement.

We will support the Palestinians to regain their rights but we cannot act on their behalf and will not serve as substitutes for the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) or act on its behalf at the called-for international conference. We have no right to act on behalf of the Palestinians who have, expressed their desire to play their full role in this conference. Jordan will attend the conference as a sovereign state and is willing also to form a joint delegation with the Palestinians if they so desire. The Jordanian team will concentrate on the Jordanian dimension in the problem while the Palestinian team will deal with the Palestinian dimension, with both sides fully backed by the Arab World at large to achieve the aspired national goals and to attain a lasting and honourable peace.

But, in the meantime, we are all confronting a real danger in the Arab World making it incumbent on all of us to be fully aware and alert and constantly working together to fend off the common

danger.
Labour Day coincides with the anniversary of my assumption of my constitutional powers in the Kingdom, an occasion which reminds me of our great march through the past 35 years — a march that is considered as complementary to that initiated by our great grandfathers who struggled to attain freedom and unity for the Arab World.

This is a long and difficult march but I am confident that all

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generations. Over the past 35 years the process of building the country and promoting its agricultural, industrial and economic sectors

have been continuing unabated. On this occasion and from this place, where we can look and see the Holy City of Jerusalem and the occupied territories, I express my appreciation of the workers of Jordan who continue the process of building the country.

I am pleased to be among you today and on this occasion, which reminds me of the past 35 years during which I devoted my efforts and life to serving this country.

belong to this nation and every citizen in this country has duties and responsibilities and commitments to defend the nation in the face of the enemy and all attempts to weaken and split our Arab and international issues. people. Therefore we insist that

The unity between the two banks of the Jordan River can by writers expressed their appreciation of the Palestine problem nor thanked His Majesty. will it affect the rights of any Palestinian living in his homeland. Therefore we ought to work Royal Court officials, Informain a united body to achieve more tion Minister Hani Khasawneh. prosperity and strength and chief editors of Jordanian newsshould be ready to defend every papers and leading Jordanian wri-

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In the West Bank city of

Ramailah, Hanan Mikhail Ashra-

wi dean of the faculty of arts at

Birzeit University, said Palesti-

nians had set up an alternative

education system in which volun-

teers were teaching basic subjects

Some 300,000 Palestinian chil-

dren have not attended school

since Israeli authorities closed

nearly 800 West Bank schools,

five universities and 10 colleges in

"It is being arranged every-

where — in churches, mosques,

in homes and in backyards. It is

part of a popular programme that

s grass roots, a new popular

infrastructure of the Palestinian

population on our way to self-

determination," Ashrawi told

She said close to 40 per cent of

to children of all ages.

February, she said.

Reuters.

detention centre were 14.

All of us Jordanians and Arabs

try and nation. inch of the Arab land with our ters.

souls and bodies.

Sunday's Iftar was attended by His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan. Prime Minister Zaid Rifai. Royal Court Chief Marwan Al Qasem, Court Minister Adnan Abu Odeh, Chief Chamberlain Prince Ra'd Ibn Zaid, Armed Forces Commander-in-Chief Field Marshal Sharif Zaid Ibn Shaker, Cabinet members. Parliament members from Balqa Governorate, heads of the public and private organisations and prominent personalities, head of municipal councils and refugee camps and directors of government departments.

Press briefed

The King hosted an Iftar Saturday for Jordanian journalists and writers. In a speech on the occasion, the King outlined Jordan's views and stands vis-a-vis various

He also reviewed the role that all members of the Jordanian the press could play in directing family should be shouldering the public towards constructive their duty and honouring their work and enhancing national commitments towards the coun- cohesion and unity in defence of the country.

In reply, the journalists and no means be affected by a solu- tion of the King's gesture and

The Iftar was attended by Prince Hassan, Rifai, senior

West Bank children were attend-

In the West Bank city of Beth-

lehem, residents threw a petrol

bomb at the home of a policeman

who has not resigned and stones

at a police station, the sources

said. There were no reported

The supreme court, mean-

while, heard an appeal from

Michal Schwartz, the Israeli edi-

tor of the left-wing newspaper

Derech Hanitzotz who was

arrested five days ago and has

been denied the right to meet her

Schwartz was one of three

"security" offences. The news-

injuries.

ing the underground classes.

flares in Beirut

(Continued from page 1)

"But no one can ascertain whether this has anything to do with the murder," one source

Fighting in Shatilla and Bouri Al Barajneh refugee camps pitted Palestine Liberation Organisation's (PLO) mainstream Fateh fighters against Syrian-backed dissidents, police said.

It was the first major clash between the two sides since PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat's reconciliation meeting with Syrian President Hafez Al Assad in

Police had no word on what touched off the clash, which erupted Sunday night and continued unabated through Monday with both sides firing mortars, rocket-propelled grenades and heavy machine guns at each

PLO spokesmen claimed Fateh loyalists had overrun three of the four main positions held by dissidents of Saeed Mousa's Fatehuprising breakaway faction in

At least four combatants were killed and 25 others wounded in made up of representatives o

They said fighters of the Atat and Awad clans were battling for local dominance in the two districts that abut Beirut's airport highway near Bourj Al Barajneh

Justice Minister Nabih Berri's Amal militia, the Shi'ites' main paramilitary force, moved in after

Israeli editors at the newspaper who were arrested for alleged both clans to lay down arms and paper was shut down in February get off the streets, warning that on charges of having links to the violators would be shot on sight. Democratic Front for the Libera-But sporadic sniping persisted through the day.

Violence

said the victim's sister is the wife of the elder brother of Navef Hawatmeh, who heads the Democratic Front for the Liberation of

Palestine.

Damascus last Tuesday.

Shatilla

the two camps on Beirut's southern flank, the police report said. It said a 50-man committee various guerrilla factions and Lebanese groups was set up late Monday to try to arrange a cease-

Eleven other people were killed and 25 wounded in night-long fighting between two Shi'ite clans in south Beirut's slums of Raml Al Aali, and Roweisse, police

midnight to enforce a ceasefire. An Amal communique ordered

Tomb of Shah in Cairo all but forgotten

By Nassir Shirkhani

CAIRO - When the Shah of Iran died in Egypt a wandering refugee, Iranian monarchists hoped his tomb would inspire support for his son's bid to regain Tehran's peacock throne.

They hoped in vain. Nearly eight years after his death in Cairo, the late Shah appears all but forgotten here, a relic of history in a country where royal

tombs and monuments abound. His grave in the Al Rifai Mosque, near the citadel which overlooks the city, has become neither a tourist draw nor a focus of

opposition to Iran's Islamic revolutionary government led by his nemesis, Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini. Few tourists know that the late "king of kings, light of the Aryans," as he styled himself, is buried in Cairo. Those who do are too busy visiting strictly Egyptian sights, and the tomb is not on

"The tomb is not really so important as to merit a visit. There are more important things to see in Egypt. Many have forgotten who the Shah was anyway." said Wada Masane of the Thomas Cook

A dusty Iranian flag and a Persian rug decorate the carved green marble tomb, on which is written in Persian: "Here lies the body of the king of kings, the king of Iran Mohammad Reza Pahlavi Aryamehr, born October 1919, died July 27, 1980.

There is no translation, so the inscription is a mystery to the few non-Iranians who visit the grave of the man who ruled Iran for 37 years before being toppled in 1979. The Shah's death from cancer 18 months later was not simply

that of another monarch. He was the last in a string of kings who had ruled Persia and modern Iran for 2,500 years. His overthrow turned pro-Western Iran into a bitter enemy of the United States and its allies and boosted militant fundamental-

ism throughout the Islamic World.

attention to the tomb, in line with Shi'ite Muslims' attachment to "It breaks my heart to see the grave so ignored. Iranians who

come here expect the tomb to be covered in flowers, but alas hardly anybody pays the respect worthy of the Shah," said Farzin-e Parsi, an Iranian refugee.

The Shah settled in Egypt after strenuous but futile efforts to

His dramatic odyssey into oblivion and his past importance

'I just happened to be in the area and decided to visit the tomb.

gain permanent residence in other countries, including the United

appear largely lost on tourists who were children at the time.

It was pure curiosity," said Jill Roberts, a 22-year-old American.

"It never dawned on me that the grave signified the advent of a

The Shah's son. Reza Pahlavi. nicknamed "the mini-Shah" by

He is cultivating a moderate image but prospects for his return to

Iranian opposition groups outside the country, including

monarchists, are bitterly divided, laside Iran, opponents of

Khomeini have been largely crushed and present no danger to his

The handful of Iranians in Cairo keep quiet. Retraining from:

The Shah's widow, ex-empress Farah, and other relatives visit

Some Iranians would like the former royal family to pay more

open political activity is an unofficial condition of residence in

Egypt for opponents of foreign governments, even those, like

the tomb every year without fanfare on the anniversary of his

Iran, with which Cairo has no relations.

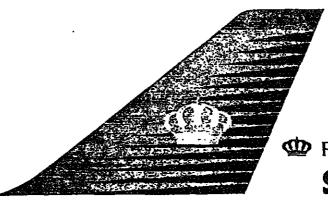
some Iranians, is not known to visit the grave regularly.

Iran as a successor to his father are as remote as ever.

"I could not believe my eyes when I saw the grave. I thought there was a guard of honour, pictures of the Shah and elaborate carpets at the burial place," Parsi said.

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Activity on the Amman Financial Market for May 2, 1988.

Finance and Commodities Report

By Fouad Batshon

THE DOLLAR gained strength and closed at new highs against all

On our local market, the dollar was well bid and tested new

On the international scene, the dollar was firm against the

European currencies, mostly on the Japanese yen because of news

coming out from the OPEC meeting. Prices of oil drifted lower

around \$1.5 per barrel after participants did not agree on the price

The dollar jumped to close in N.Y. at 1.6780 against the

The British pound was the most exciting currency, after

The pound jumped to around 1.8940 from 1.8710, but the Bank

Indications from the charts appear to be still bullish on the

Charts indicate that coffee is the best buy at existing levels,

Technically, coffee should move back again to test \$140 a ton.

Also, fundamental reasons are pushing up the price of coffee this

month, as huge spot quantities of coffee are going to be bought

Following are some gold prices and Arab currency rates in

dollar against all major currencies and the Jordanian dinar.

The most exciting commodity in my opinion is coffee.

of England intervened and sold pounds against the dollar, making

Friday's figures which were extremely good for the pound.

highs, jumping from a low of 0.343 fils on the Jordanian dinar, to

major European currencies and the Jordanian dinar.

Deutschemark and 1.8760 against the British pound.

a high of 0.347 fils at the close Friday.

it come down to around 1.8740.

which are \$130 a ton in N.Y.

Iraqi dinar/JD, 0.165/0.175

Egyptian pound/JD, 0.135/0.145.

S.L./JD, 134-150

for the Soviet Union and the Eastern Bloc.

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Amman during the last trading week:

Regular market:

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Arab Aluminium

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of \$18 per barrel.

Treasury bills & bonds:

Jordan Investment and

National Steel Industries

'Everyone will have to pay for own mistakes'

Jordan government will not honour payments in excess of Iraqi protocol

By Salameh B. Ne'matt Jordan Times Staff Reporter

AMMAN — The government and Jordanian exporters exchanged accusations Monday as each side blamed the other for a financial crisis that involves nearly \$300 million in Jordanian exports to Iraq in excess of a \$185 million ceiling allocated in a Jordanian-Iraqi trade protocol.

Industry and Trade Minister cerned with finding a solution" to Hamdi Tabbaa said his government "will not exceed the limits of the protocol" and that after paying out the \$185 million through the Central Bank of Jordan (CBJ), "everyone will have

to pay for their own mistakes."
During a meeting with exporters held at the Amman Chamber of Industry, the minister said "I cannot believe that in one year we have been able to export \$500 million to Iraq," hinting that a try of trade. large part of these exports consisted of non-Jordanian products that were channelled into Iraq through Jordanian exporters, passing as Jordanian products.

Tabbaa said that a remaining \$50 million out of the allocated \$185 million will be paid to Jordanian exporters in accordance with a set of priorities that mostly favours Jordanian-manufactured exports.

CBJ Deputy Governor Maher Shukri, who attended the meeting, said the central bank could -not afford to finance these excess

He did not offer any figures, but informed sources told the Jordan Times the CBJ's free foreign reserves were currently at their lowest level ever.

Shukri said the central bank was currently trying to assess the problem by summing up the value of opened letters of credit for Jordanian exporters.

Tabbaa said that ministry Secretary-General Mohammad Saggaf held three days of talks in Iraq earlier last month and that other meetings will follow. He said the government "was con-

a.m. in the Amra Hotel.

social afternoon.

the problem.

He said, however, that the responsibility for the ongoing crisis "lies with the Iraqi side which allowed Iraqi importers to open letters of credit in excess of the agreement, without notifying the Iordanian side."

Saggaf told manufacturers that the situation reached this point because of sloppy supervision by the Iraqi central bank and minis-

He said that near the end of December 1987, the ministry noticed the excess in the value of letters of credit being opened and inquired from the Iraqis who answered that there was "an accurate supervision" carried out by the Iraqi authorities.

During his talks in Baghdad, Saggaf said, the Iragis asked the Jordanian government to raise the ceiling of exports to accommodate the excess demand. Saqqaf said that "unfortu-nately, Jordan's capabilities could not offer such facilities" and that "there is no room for increasing imports from Iraq."

He said the Iraqis also recommended the cancellation of the export orders but that he refused because "this would destroy some of the Jordanian industries and is considered a catastrophe which

we would not allow." Following the talks, the Iraqi authorities issued instructions to the Iraqi Rafidain Bank to refuse to accept export documents and

Saqqaf added that another meeting with the Iraqi side will be

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control Jordanian exports and to

prevent exporters to reexport im-

ported goods as Jordanian pro-

ducts was largely responsible for

the great increase in the quota.

Mohammad Dabbas said some

Jordanian exporters were import-

ing products, then labelling them

and forge certificates of origin to

present these products as Jorda-

Dabbas, who is an industrial-

ist, said that such acts "have

destroyed honest industrialists"

and that the government "must

take a firm and harsh stand"

against violators of government

Abu Hassan said the Chamber

of Industry was looking into all

possible means to settle the prob-

lem in cooperation with the gov-

ernment and that several options

The president of the chamber

had earlier hinted that the cham-

ber's board may take initiative

with the Iraqi authorities if such a

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were under consideration.

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Mohammad Saqqaf

taking place within one month. "to determine where each side stands on the issue of opened letters of credit."

He added: "The government does not have any ready solution for the problem.

Saggaf pointed out that the Iraqis proposed that Jordanian exporters finance their exports for 24 months to be paid after this period by the Rafidain Bank. Shukri said the CBJ "does not

consider this as a solution" and that "Jordan's situation does not allow for Jordanian exporters to offer 24-month facilities."

He said the bank's foreign reserves could not afford to cover

the excess exports.

Defending the CBJ for failing to alert Jordanian exporters about the value of exports exceeding the protocol allocations, Shukri said the CBJ does not supervise these letters of credit because the Iraqi side refused to allow Jordan to interfere.

Speaking during the meeting chaired by Chamber of Industry President Khaldoun Abu Hassan, several industrialists blamed "loose government controls" for

the present crisis. They said that the failure of the attended Monday's meeting.

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ASPIP head addresses international symposium

AMMAN (J.T.) — The president of the Arab Society for the Protection of Industrial Property (ASPIP), Sunday addressed an international symposium in Phoenix, Arizona organised by the United States Trad-mark Association (USTA). The president was responding to an invita-tion by USTA, which is currently holding its annual meetings attended by thousands of invitees from worldover along with U.S. professionals and government

The address was: International Protection of Well Known Trademarks. It dealt with the existing legal provisions in various Arab countries for the protection of trademarks against counterfeiting and put forward a certain set of recommendations. It is worth mentioning that ASPIP President is the first Arab ever invited to speak at the annual meetings of USTA.

Oil prices fall sharply

VIENNA (R) — Oil prices fell Monday after OPEC failed to clinch an accord which had envisaged joint output cuts with six producers from outside the group to mop up surpluses from the market and buoy prices.

British North Sea brent crude. a widely-traded oil, was quoted in Europe at \$16 a barrel for loading in June, almost \$1 below last Friday's U.S. close.

But analysts said the weaker prices may only be temporary, despite disarray in OPEC (the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries), because of rising demand later this year.
"There will be the initial panic

but it will be overdone as usual. I would be surprised if prices went down to first quarter levels," said Mehdi Varzi of London brokers Kleinwort Grievson.

Brent had hit 16-month lows of \$14 in March.

Peter Nicol of Chase Manhattan Bank in London said: "Prices may go lower at the beginning, but buyers will appear at lower levels because demand is rising." Demand is likely to increase as

refiners stock up ahead of the northern hemisphere winter. The 13 OPEC ministers assemble in Vienna again on June 8 at a

scheduled meeting after failing in four nights of hard bargaining that ended early Monday to respond to a unique offer by non-OPEC sellers to make joint output cuts.

Officials from Mexico, Egypt, China, Oman, Malaysia, and Angola said last week they were

tral heating, telephone and lift.

five per cent on condition OPEC also made new output reductions. In subsequent OPEC delibera-

tions, Algeria suggested that OPEC make a proportional cut of 300,000 barrels per day (b/d) for two months. But Saudi Arabia wanted to

make a cut equal only in volume to that of the non-OPEC sellers, calculating the OPEC cut under that formula at only 183,000 b/d. It also insisted this would be divided equally among all 12 sig-

natories to OPEC's current quota agreement - Iraq is not included, on grounds that OPEC failed to assign it a quota as big as that of its Gulf war foe, Iran.

The OPEC president, Rilwanu Lukman of Nigeria, put on a brave face over the OPEC disagreement. "We have succeeded. We have discussed the offer of non-OPEC... we believe that what they have offered is a good starting point. We are going to continue dialoguing with them," he told reporters.

But several analysts at the conference said this was glossing over a split in the group which would be an obstacle to setting up any wider alliance of producers. The prospect of a this wider group had sent oil prices sharply up in recent days, with Brent touching a high of about \$17.40 a barrel.

Gulf sources, defending the Saudi position, said OPEC had been curbing output to defend prices for some time while non-OPEC sellers pumped at

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Venue for Davis Cup tennis semifinal named

HAMBURG, West Germany (R) — West Germany's Davis Cup semifinal with Yugoslavia will be played in Dortmund July 22-24, the West Germany Tennis Federation (DTB) said Friday. DTB president Claus Stauder told a news conference Dortmund was chosen in preference to Munich, where West Germany lost the 1985 Davis Cup final to Sweden.

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087 Pass Opening lead: Six of 0 "

A wise man once remarked that being not vulnerable was not quite the same as being invulnerable. On this hand reported in Bridge d'Italie, the magazine of the Italian Bridge Federation, South paid dearly to learn that lesson.

East's opening bid of one no trump showed at least 19 points, so it takes a brave man to enter the auction at the two-level when he might be trapped between two good hands. However, South felt that he

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THE BETTER HALF,

was unlikely to come to much harm at two hearts, and West decided that his four trumps, singleton and outside king were worth a double.

The singleton diamond was the natural opening lead, and the defense was merciless. Declarer played low from dummy and dropped the trick. The shift was to a low club, won by the ten. After cashing the king of clubs, West exited with a club to his partner's ace. East proceeded to cash the ace-king of spades and ace of diamonds, then continued with a diamond.

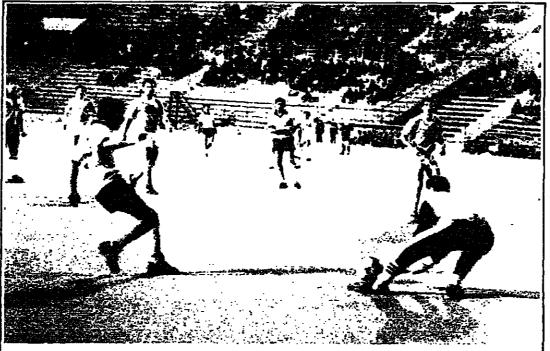
Declarer ruffed high to avoid an

overruff, then led the king of hearts. East won the ace and led his last dia mond. This time declarer ruffed with the eight and West overruffed. He returned the 13th club, and East cleverly ruffed with the seven to force an overruff with a trump honor. The uppercut promoted West's six of trumps, so declarer had to be satisfied with a mere three tricks for a set of 900 points.

We have some sympathy for South, but more for his partner. It is all well to render unto Caesar that which is Caesar's, but there is no need to throw in the rest of Rome as

By Herris

HARRIS



HOLDERS LOSE: Al Hussein Club beat holders Al Faisali Saturday 3-1 in a football match played within the Jordan Shield Championship. In Sunday's battle Al Duffetein toppled Amman Club strikers (Photo by Abdullah Ayyoub).

The midfielder's display will

have repaid a hefty chunk of the

\$8.5 million it cost Milan to lure

him from PSV at the start of the

season. Milan are now superbly

placed to secure their eighth title

"We've won an important

match but we'd be wrong to shout

too loud about it," Milan mana-

ger Arrigo Sacchi said after-wards. "We have to continue

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Milan shatters Napoli's dream

By Reuters

DUTCHMAN Ruud Gullit struck fear into the hearts of Europe's international soccer bosses Sunday when he propelled AC Milan to the top of the Italian first division with a remarkable 3-2 win at champions Napoli.

Forty days before the start of the European championships in West Germany, the Dutch international was at his inspirational best as Milan took a one-point lead over Napoli with just two games remaining.

"The dream is over, we've lost the championship," declared Diego Maradona after defeat dislodged Napoli from the summit of the league for the first time since October.

"I knew it would end like this. At the moment Milan are stronger than we are," Argentina's World Cup captain added.

Gullit, European footballer of the year, was at the heart of Milan's triumph, setting up both goals for Antonio Virdis and creating the opening for Dutch international teammate Marco van Basten to secure the points 11 minutes from time. Virdis put Milan ahead only for

Maradona to equalise on the stroke of halftime with a superb. curling shot from a free kick. Virdis restored the lead in the 71st minute and Van Basten made it 3-1 eight minutes later n Careca set up a perore Brazi pulsating finish by reducing the deficit to one goal with only four

minutes remaining. Close to 90,000 Partizan Napoli fans rose to salute Milan at the finish — a clear indication that they, too, believed they had seen Napoli's hopes of a second successive title destroyed by the dazzling Dutchman.

There was no such drama around the rest of Europe in the few remaining championship races still undecided.

Porto leads over Rinus Michels is due to watch his Benfica Gullit against Juventus Sunday.

In Portugal, Porto widened their lead over European Cup finalists Benfica at the top of the first division to nine points with only six games remaining with a crushing 5-1 win at Salgueiros. Benfica could only draw 1-1 at Lowly Academica.

In France, Englishmen Glenn Hoddle and Mark Hateley shone in Monaco's 3-0 win over thirdplaced Racing Paris which kept them five points clear of Bordeaux with five games remaining.

And in West Germany, Werder Bremen edged closer to the title with a 2-0 win over Borussia Moenchengladbach. The triumph carried them six points clear of Cologne, held 1-1 by Eintracht Frankfurt, with four games to

Champions Bayern Munich crashed 3-1 at Kaiserslautern and, is now seven points adrift of the leaders who could clinch the crown when they face Eintracht

> PSV cruises to ··· victory - ---

PSV Eindhoven, already crowned Dutch champions and Benfica's European Cup final opponents, cruised to a 6-2 win over middle-of-the-table Sparta with striker Wim Kieft netting four goals.

Spain's Espanol managed a 1-1 draw with Atletico Madrid despite resting seven players ahead of their UEFA Cup final first leg Wednesday against Bayer Lever-kusen of West Germany. But there was little joy for the

Germans, thrashed 41 at Bayer Uerdingen and with four first choice players currently receiving treatment and doubtful for the

Dutch international manager

Newcastle sends Portsmouth back to second division

LONDON (R) — Portsmouth's brief association with life at the top in the English Soccer League ended Saturday when they were beaten 2-1 by

second division after only one season. They had waited 28 years to earn a place among the Elite of the English game.

Their misery contrasted sharp-ly with Millwall's mood at Hull, an 11th-minute Kevin O'Callaghan goal earning the London side a 1-0 win and promotion to the first division for the first time in their history.

With Portsmouth, Watford and Oxford filling the relegation spots, the only issue to be decided

The defeat sent Portsmouth - in the basement of the first divimanaged by Alan Ball, a member of England's 1966 World Cup winning side — back to the back to face the added drama of a play-off with the third, fourth and fifth-placed clubs in the second division for the one additional

place on offer in division one. The two London clubs meet in their final game next Saturday, with Charlton favourites to escape the play-offs. Both teams have 41 points but Charlton, who successfully negotiated the playoffs last season, have the better goal average.

While the relegation issue took the spotlight, Liverpool, runaway

leaders of the first division, were being presented with the championship trophy at Anfield by English League secretary Gra-

ham Kelly.

But the expected win over Southampton did not follow.

John Aldridge scored his 28th goal of the season to give Liverpool the lead in the 41st minute. but Rodney Wallace earned the visitors a 1-1 draw with a goal

midway through the second half. Manchester United, almost certain to finish runners-up to Liverpool, missed two first-half penalties away to relegated Oxford but still cruised to a 2-0 win. Two spot-kick misses by Peter

Davenport and Jesper Olsen were sandwiched between goals by England full back Viv Anderson and Scotland international Gordon Strachan.

Agassi bags U.S. Open tennis title

CHARLESTON, South Carolina (R) — Andre Agassi defeated a resurgent Jimmy Arias 6-2, 6-2 Sunday to win the \$200,000 U.S. Open men's clay court championships in his first bid as a top-seed in a Grand Prix tennis tournament.

The 18-year-old Agassi, the first American to win the title since Arias in 1983, collected \$38,000 for the victory, boosting

his earnings this year to \$140,000.

Arias, 23, seeded seventh in the 32-player field, plunged from world 50th to 122nd in this week's rankings when his 1987 Monte Carlo final appearance dropped off the ATP computer rankings.

"I just came here and hit out on every ball and they went in,' said Agassi, who dropped only one set in the tournament and earlier this year won the U.S. Pro Indoor Championship.

"Jimmy had to do a little extra

running because he covers for his backhand more than I do," said Agassi, who is ranked 18th in the

"The more and more confidence he (Agassi) gets, the har-der it is to get into the match against him," said Arias. "I had a pretty good tournament and I'm feeling pretty confident but today I was giving him too many opportunities to hit winners.

In the 62-minute match, Agassi held serve in the longest game of the opening set to go ahead 2-1 and then broke Arias in the next

Agassi broke serve to win the first set, winning the four-deuce game on a missed drop shot attempt by Arias.

Agassi went ahead 3-0 in the second set before Arias held serve for 3-1. The players held serve over the next three games and the next game Agassi won the match when Arias double faulted at 30-40.

In the doubles final, the unseeded South African pair of Pieter Aldrich and Danie Visser beat the second seeded duo of Jorge Lozano of Mexico and American game at 15-40 and take command Todd Witsken 7-6 (7-3), 6-3.

CONTRACT TENDER NO. 53/88 Request for proposals Zarga-Ruseifa Water and Wasterwater Project Contracts 3A, 4A and 4B

1) The Government Tenders Directorate inviteic Security enced Jordanian consultants who have beer finistry of Grade A in the field of Water and Sewerage rd gathering the Jordan Engineers Association, and at confirmed. experienced and specialised in the field abia," he said. Sewerage Projects from USAID Geograph our favour." countries to submit proposals for the s. blowing in a construction of Contracts 3A and 4A and i Arabia which sion of the completion of Contract 4Bar East plague Zarga-Ruseifa Water and Wasterwater Profinanced by the United States Agency for

Development. The three construction contract. of the supply and installation of water and se networks in parts of the municipality of Zarqa.

2) The request for proposals is obtainable from t. Tenders Department at the Water Authority for a 1 non-refundable sum of JD 25.

3) The award of the contract will be based on a combination of technical and financial submissions. The proposals as outlined in the request for proposals

shall be delivered in a sealed envelope to the Office of the Director of the Government Tenders Directorate not later than 1330 hours Jordan local time on May 28,

Chairman, Central Tenders Committee Director, Government Tenders Directorate

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THE Daily Crossword by Roger Coburn

1 Canvas cover 5 Treaty 9 ipso — 14 Ersatz butter 15 Gen. Bradley 16 indian missile You need a bypass! Tomorrow morning, bypass the refrigera-tor and go for a walk!" JUMBLE THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME by Henri Arrold and Bob Lee to save up for another one Fastene Yesterday's Puzzle Salved 9 Agent 10 A Guthrie 11 Curmadgeon 12 Raced 13 Was obliged 22 Aquatic mammal WHAT THAT OLD HOT ROD WAS. Now arrange the circled letters to Answer here: medicine 59 Vendetta 60 Gaelic 61 Eng. Jumbles: ELITE FELON TRYING LAUNCH Answer: When he finally got the fireplace working, she was the —"GRATE-FULL"

Peanuts







Mutt'n' Jeff









Andy Capp



without legs

COLUMN

Gliding through U.S.

CHULA VISTA, California

(AP) - A Vietnam veteran who

lost both legs in combat took off

in a sailplane in an attempt to

become the first person to glide

sailplane Eagle, with pilot Terry

Frazier, 41, at the controls, was

lifted into the air by a tow plane Sunday at Brown Field near the

Mexican border. Frazier is trying

to raise nearly \$50,000 in pledges

to help maintain the Vietnam

Veterans Memorial in Washing-

ton. Frazier, a nationally ranked

sailplane competitor and English

across the United States. The

Dutch alert against IRA after 3 British servicemen killed

wounded in the attacks remained

Measures to increase security

were taken in utmost secrecy

amid apparent fears the IRA

which claimed responsibility for

the attacks, might be eyeing more

targets in the Netherlands after

their hit-and-run strikes on Brit-

ish soldiers relaxing off duty at

try officials have met to discuss security measures," Justice

Ministry spokesman Jacques van

Vleit told Reuters from the

ln London, a government

minister said the use of special

British forces licence plates on

servicemen's cars will be included

in a review of security measures

The IRA has threatened to kill

more British servicemen follow-

ing Sunday's attack and several

British lawmakers have criticised

the licence plates as a "give-

Armed Forces Minister Ian

Stewart was asked in a British

Broadcasting Corporation radio

interview whether their con-

tinuing use would be looked at as

part of the security review prom-

ised Sunday by Defence Secret-

"Yes, it certainly will," he said.
"There are a number of aspects

we want to look into and that is

certainly one of them. We will

want to draw any possible lessons

On Sunday and Monday, the

away" to extremists.

ary George Younger.

from these attacks.'

following Sunday's murders.

"Top justice and interior minis-

the weekend.

in intensive care in local hos-

AMSTERDAM (Agencies) — Dutch authorities tightened security Monday to prevent further attacks in the wake of the slaying of three British servicemen by Irish Republican Army (IRA) guer-

Police searched for clues but said they had no indication yet as to how many attackers were involved and what weapons and explosives they used.

In the southern Dutch town of Roermond, where a British servicemen's car was riddled with bullets early Sunday, police spokesman Harry Clabbers said: "They came from nowhere and vanished in thin air."

He said three servicemen

Seoul ruling party head replaced

SEOUL (AP) - President Rob Tae-Woo replaced the head of the governing party with a moderate Monday and indicated he would try to work with the opposition after a major election setback.

Roh nominated Yun Gil-Jung, 71. as chairman of the Democratic Justice Party as part of a shake-up after the party failed to retain its majority in the National Assembly in the April 26 elec-

Other senior party officials appointed later in the day also was ere moderates.

probiciovernment officials said Roh of openas expected to reshuffle his Jordaniant later this week under his Tabbaaisation programme, but Secretary Minister Lee Hyun-Jae Saqqaf belon be affected.

Iraq earlier

said the goachi ethnic riots prompt on-sight order, curfew

GEN(R) — Pakistani rders to shoot-ona curfew Monday With high quantum where five Arabic, to w killed in weekend

Those int violators will be aid an announcement oudspeaker fitted on an sv truck.

Police said authorities had ordered the troops to shoot the curtew violators on sight.

A middle-aged woman was killed Sunday when two ethnic groups exchanged gunfire and hurled rocks at each other in the volatile Orangi area of Karachi,

Pakistan's biggest city.

Doctors said at least 18 injured people, some with pellet wounds. were taken to hospital after the riots between Pashtuns from north-western Pakistan and Moiahir immigrants from other parts of the Indian subcontinent.

"Troops carrying submachineguns on heavy army trucks announced the curfew with loudspeakers," witnesses who managed to come out of the areas told reporters.

The authorities have done the right thing to stop a bloodbath," Abdul Haq, a garment factory

blocked roads to separate warring factions, they said. "Stay in your homes. Don't come out on the roads," a soldier patrolling a poor neighbourhood

Troops set up barricades and

Firemen said the rioters set ablaze shops and vehicles and rained down stones at police and firemen in Orangi, where more than 185 people were killed in a

worst, in 1986. The latest riots, set off after two motorcycle riders were killed in a road accident, have so far cost the lives of five people and injured at least 50 Friday, doctors

Witnesses said the riots took a turn for the worse Sunday when people attacked a police station and fired at officers in an attempt to free what they said were inno-

cent people. Police used tear-gas to disperse the rioting crowd, mostly Moiahirs, and arrested an undisclosed number of people.

Eyewitnesses said at least 80 people had been rounded up by police since Friday.

TOLEDO. Ohio (Agencies) — his popularity was declining. Michael Dukakis, discounting The magazine said a poll of polls which say he will win, and

Jesse Jackson, refusing to say his fight is finished, were campaigning hard in Ohio in the final run-up to two Democratic Party presidential primary polls.

Polls say Dukakis, the governor of Massachusetts, is set to score a big win in Tuesday's primaries in Ohio and neighbouring Indiana. The primaries are the last major contests before California and New Jersey close the nomination battle June 7.

But Jackson, the black baptist preacher and civil rights activist, said Sunday he plans to stay in the race for the party nomination until the very end.

On the Republican side, Vice-President George Bush has secured the presidential nomination for the November election in all but name, although a Time magazine poll published Sunday said

1,075 people found that 47 per cent had a favourable impression of Bush compared with 43 per cent unfavourable. A similar poll in early March gave the vice president a 30 per cent unfavour-

Dukakis, citing one poll which forecast he would win Ohio and its 159 Democratic delegates by as much as a 3-to-1 margin, refused to claim victory.

"The response we've been get-

ting is great. The people are terrific," he told a cheering crowd in Toledo Sunday night. Dukakis had earlier taken part in a parade through a Polish neighbourhood in Cleveland and

called the repeated lawlessness of President Reagan's White House. Jackson continued to take aim

launched an assault on what he

at Dukakis, telling a church

front" of the Massachusetts governor on such issues as drugs and U.S. policy towards South Africa

Jackson has also aired television commercials saying Dukakis would only "manage the damage" of the Reagan years and pledging himself to chart a new course for the country.

Dukakis, whose victories in New York and Pennsylvania have reduced Jackson's presidential hopes to a longshot at best. said he had long ago laid out a comprehensive policy on South Africa.

He also said he was no latecomer to the drug issue, a centrepiece of Jackson's campaign.

"The greatest threat to our security in this hemisphere is not the Sandinistas, it's the avalanche of drugs coming into the country," he said in Toledo. "I speak as crowd in Cleveland he was "in

working on it for three and onehalf years.'

Dukakis reserved most of his criticism for Bush in remarks timed to coincide with the May 1 celebration of "Law Day" in the United States.

"We've gone through seven and a half years in which the rule of law and respect for the U.S. constitution have not been the order of the day in Washington,' he said.

Asked what role Bush may have had in that situation, Dukakis said: "I'm not sure I can answer that. He's such a blank slate one doesn't know.

"We've had repeated violations of law. We've had repeated efforts to play fast and loose with the law, to ignore congressional mandate. I assume at some point he's going to speak out on these

professor, hopes to average about 320 kilometres a day, reaching Kitty Hawk, North Carolina the birthplace of aviation — May 19. Frazier plans to glide his 4-5-metre-long craft back to the Charlotte (North Carolina) motor speedway, landing inside the racetrack grounds, to wave the starting flag for the May 22 Winston Cup race.

Baby condor doing well

SAN DIEGO (AP) — The First California condor born to captive parents is downing about 30 minced mice a day and slowly gaining weight, say keepers who are watching the bald, fluffy chick for infection. "So far so good," Martha Baker, spokeswoman for the San Diego Wild Animal Park, said Sunday. "We're not through the most critical period, which is 72 hours." The chick, named Molloko, an Indian word for Condor, was hatched with human help Friday, boosting the en-dangered species' numbers to 28. It ate 28 mice Saturday and 30 more by Sunday afternoon, Baker said. "The appetite of the bird is very good," said Baker, adding that the chick had regained its birth rate of (189 grammes). As adults, the birds have a wingspan up to more than three metres. The fist-sized bird's attachment to its yolk sac, similar to a human infant's umbilical cord, was healing well. Molloko hatched from an egg laid by the only pair of California condors known to be actively breeding. All 28 California condors known to exist are in captivity: 15 at the Wild Animal Park and 13 at the Los Angeles zoo. Fourteen birds are female.

Australian snake catcher survives world's deadliest snake

determined.

The chick's sex has not vet been

ADELAIDE (R) - An Australian snake catcher survived a bite from the world's most venomous land snake — the inland taipan and vowed Monday to continue his perilous profession. Speaking to reporters from his hospital bed, Joe Bredl, 65, said he was bitten on the chest by the rare snake Sunday as he tried to catch it for his reptile park. He was flown to Adelaide in critical condition from the desert north of the city but amazed doctors with his rapid recovery. Textbooks describe the inland taipan's venom as 40 times more potent than that of the cobra. One specimen yielded enough venom in one milking to kill nearly a quarter of a million mice. After being listed as critical overnight and receiving six times the standard dose of antidote, Bredl was able to hold a news conference Monday and announce he would keep working. Doctors said Bredl was only the second person known to have been bitten by an adult inland taipan. The other victim, also a professional reptile expert, survived after several weeks of se-

'Sick' fan fired after being spotted on TV:

LONDON (AP) — Snooker farr Paul Haldron pretended to go sick so he could get the day off to watch the world championships. But the TV cameras screening the event live to some 10 million viewers picked him out in the audience at the Crucible Theatre in northern England. And one of the 10 million was his boss, British press reports said Monday. When the 27-year-old truck driver returned to work the following day, he claimed he had been suffering from stomach pains. But his boss at the engineering company where he worked said: "You looked all right on TV" and fired him. Haldron, from Sedgley in Central England, was quoted as saying: "It never occurred to me that I would be picked up by the cameras and have my face beamed to the whole country. "I have since seen a video of the day's snooker and saw myself as clearly as if I had been playing."

Rallies, clashes mark May Day worldwide

Dukakis, Jackson brace for two major primaries

NEW YORK (Agencies) — Celebrations in Moscow's Red Square, a special tribute by Palestinians in Nazareth and bloody clashes in Poland and other countries drew attention to labour issues as May Day observances worldwide honoured

workers. Dutch officials said British Around the world, thousands police officers familiar with of turned out for parades and rallies IRA attacks were helping inves-Sunday to celebrate the spirit of tigations in a European-wide

labourers. In addition to Poland, security forces clashed with May Day demonstrators in the Philippines and Chile, and arrests were reported in East Berlin and Turkey.

In the Soviet Union, Western ambassadors attended May Day celebrations in Moscow for the first time since the 1979 Soviet intervention in Afghanistan and saw a parade that was strikingly free of the harsh anti-U.S. rhetorpulled out of the parking lot of ic of the past. An estimated 30,000 people in

several Honduran cities marked the day with rallies and marches. some turning to bitter denouncements of U.S. ties to the Central American nation. An estimated 6,000 soldiers and police stood by but did not intervene.

In Nicaragua, rallies focussed

attention on the political divisions in the country torn by 61/2 years of

President Daniel Ortega warned at a rally that government troops would launch the largest military offensive ever if a temporary ceasefire in the war with contra rebels is not extended into a lasting truce.

In West Berlin, police arrested 134 people in overnight clashes during which 53 police were injured after May Day rallies.

Club swinging police in Poland clashed with rock throwers in Gdansk as thousands demonstrated in at least 15 cities, heeding a call by the banned Solidarity labour union for a national day of

Authorities detained more than 200 of an estimated 12,000 demonstrators nationwide, government and opposition reports said. There were also scattered reports of injuries.

Tension remained high on the sixth day of a strike at the Lenin Steel Mill in Nowa Huta outside Krakow, in contrast to festivities in Warsaw.

Authorities in Peru reported

that 100 marchers linked to the Shining Path guerrilla group marched on a main avenue in Lima, some shouting anti-government slogans and hurling dynamite at

Soviet Union

Workers' day is one of the most important dates in the Soviet Union, where leader Mikhail Gorbachev and 11 Moscow-based members of the politburo reviewed the traditional parade in Red Square. Muscovites carried banners

and towed floats that extolled worldwide nuclear disarmament and Communist Party programmes such as "perestroika" (economic reconstruction) and "glasnost" (openness). Libyan leader Muammar

Qadhafi urged workers to ignore May Day speeches that he said only encourage their exploitation, the Libyan news agency JANA said. "The first of May returns this

year, the day of international deception against the wage-earners," Qadhafi said. In Israel, thousands rallied and

released helium-filled balloons. Arabs in Nazareth dedicated a May Day parade to the Palesti-

emigrants.

nian uprising in the Israeli-occu-pied West Bank and Gaza Strip. Troops in the Philippines fired on marchers south of Manila during a series of May Day rallies in which thousands of workers demanded wage increases. President Corazon Aquino rejected the demands as "ill-advised" at a time when the country is trying to spur its economy.

Africa

Members of militant trade unions in South Africa, barred from holding outdoor rallies, met at indoor venues to celebrate May Day and protest a government clampdown on the black labour movement. Workers in Zimbabwe marked

May Day with rallies and a call by President Robert Mugabe to support "your brothers and sisters" in South Africa, Namibia and Palestine.

In Spain, thousands of workers celebrated. The communist-led Workers Commission and the socialist-led General Workers Union called on the government to turn to leftist economic policies to create jobs and reduce 20 per cent joblessness, highest in Westem Europe.

U.S. plans to boost arms sales NEW YORK (R) - The Reagan

administration has told Congress it intends to increase arms sales abroad by 25 per cent, the New York Times said Monday.

British Forces Broadcasting Ser-

vice aired warnings to soldiers

and airmen who were away from

their bases in West Germany:

"terrorists only look at you for

one reason. Be alert. Stay alive."

Labour Party's defence spokes-

man said the victims "were in

Germany and Holland doing

their duty as part of our NATO

obligations and there is not one

shred of justification for attacking

Haughey issued a statement saying: "I would like to extend

my deepest sympathy to the rela-

ves of those killed and injured."

forces are the IRA's primary targets. The mainly Roman

Catholic guerrilla group is fight-

ing to end British rule in North-

ern Ireland and unite the pre-

dominantly Protestant province

with the overwhelmingly Catholic

Senior aircraftsman Ian Shin-

ner, 20, was killed immediately in

the Roermond attack while two

companions, Richard Garth, 31

and 19-year-old Ifan Lewis were

seriously injured. All came from

a British airforce base at Wilden-

About an hour later, a car

carrying three other enlisted men

was torn apart by a bomb as it

the Bacchus discotheque in the

country town of Nieuwbergen,

about 50 kilometres north of

Roermond. The blast, which

could be heard up to eight

kilometres away, caused a fireball

'higher than the shops'' said

Henk Mennink, who runs a snack

bar 20 metres away.

rath in West Germany.

Republic of Ireland.

search for the attackers.

Members of the British security

Irish Prime Minister Charles

them in this way.'

Denzil Davies, the opposition

Quoting a confidential report by the State Department, the newspaper said the administration hopes for sales worth more than \$15 billion to 33 countries in the current fiscal year. This wo be \$3.3 billion more than in the day of rioting, the country's An itemised list obtained by the

newspaper from a member of Congress shows Israel earmarked for \$3.6 billion worth of arms, leaving it still the United States' most important customer. Two billion dollars of the Israeli

total are predicted in sales of 50 to 60 F-16 planes alone, according to It shows a seven-fold increase in

shipments planned this year for Egypt, which is due to receive \$2.7 billion worth of arms against \$378 million last year.

also listed for a large increase — to more than \$797 million from last year's \$138 million. This is despite concern in Congress about speculation, denied by Islamabad, that Pakistan is developing its own atomic weapous.

The U.S. government delivered \$11.7 billion of military supplies and services abroad last year, figures. A further \$2 billion worth of equipment was exported directly by American companies. Annual sales of U.S. military

supplies to foreign governments reached a peak in 1982, when \$17.2 billion worth were exported. The New York Times quoted administration officials and mem-

bers of Congress as saying the list pays more attention to the Gulf than in previous years. It includes a system that could link Sandi Arabian AWACS adv-

anced warning planes to U.S. cluded are sales of Hawk anti-aircraft missiles to Kuwait, and and West Germany \$75 million. Afghan guerrillas are based, is

radar, helicopter-gunships and F-16 aircraft to Bahrain. The list of expected sales pub-

lished by the newspaper is: Algeria \$24 million, Australia \$54 million, Austria \$54 million. Bahrain more than \$205 million. Belgium \$10 million, Brazil \$7 million, Britain \$226 million, Canada \$200 million, Denmark \$76 million, Egypt \$2.67 billion, France \$7 million, Greece \$458 million, India \$50 million, Israel \$3.6 billion, Japan more than \$695 million, Kuwalt more than \$40 million, Morocco \$26 million, the Netherlands \$550 million. Norway \$84 million, Pakistan more than \$797 million, the Philippines \$45 million, Saudi Arabia more than \$950 million, Singapore \$18 million, South Korea \$3.318 billion, Spain more than \$120 million, Sweden \$260 miltion, Switzerland \$148 million, Taiwan \$18 million, Turkey more than \$151 million, the United

Vienna and helps refugee to resettle. Congressman's aide jumps to death

NEW YORK (R) - A senior aide to a Maryland congressman died in an apparent suicide Sunday after plummeting from the 24th floor of a New York luxury hotel, police said. Tom Pappas, an aide to conservative Democrat Roy Dyson, was the focus of an article in the Washington Post's Sunday edition that said he exercised unusual control over Dyson's young male employees, restricting their social lives and ordering one to perform a striptease at an office retreat. Police said Pappas, 46, jumped from the 24th floor of the Helmsley Palace Hotel shortly after noon, crashing into an eighth floor landing. He was pronounced dead at the scene.

WORLD NEWS IN BRIEF

Soviet Jewish emigration highest in 7 years

GENEVA (R) - Soviet Jewish emigration rose to 1,077 in April,

the highest monthly figure since May 1981, the Intergovernmental

Committee for Migration (ICM) said Monday. It was "the highest

monthly figure since May 1981, when there were 1,140 Soviet

month, 944 Soviet Jews left via Vienna. Soviet Jewish emigration

so far this year stands at 3,402 compared with 1,431 in the first four

months of 1987. Soviet Jewish emigration totalled 8,011 last year,

more than eight times the number in 1986 and the highest number

allowed to leave since 1981, when 9,560 Soviet Jews emigrated. Of

the 1,077 Soviet Jews who emigrated last month, 162 went to

Israel, said the ICM, which monitors arrivals of Soviet Jews in

an ICM spokeswoman told Reuters. In the previous

10 hurt in blast in eastern Sri Lanka

COLOMBO (AP) — A time bomb exploded in the eastern town of Batticaloa Monday, wounding at least 10 people and destroying a two-storey building, local police and residents reported. In the southern town of Galle, a mirmed of parliament was killed and three other people were injured Sunday night when Sinhalese extremists ambushed their car, police said. The bombing in Batticaloa, 230 kilometres east of Colombo, was blamed on the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam, the most powerful Tamil rebel group fighting the Sinhalese-dominated government. G.V.S. de Silva, a member of the governing United National Party, was shot to death after leaving a Buddhist sanctuary in Galle.

Burundi will allow ex-president to return

KINSHASA (AP) - The former Burundian president Colonel Jean-Baptiste Bagaza, who was deposed in a coup last September, will be able to return to his country, a Burundian diplomat said Sunday. The envoy, Benoit Seburyamo, who met Sunday with Zairian leader Mobuto Sese Seko, said Bagaza was free to return to Burundi and live if he agreed not to become a "troublemaker and nuisance" to the government of current President Pierre Buyoya. Seburyamo said he discussed Bagaza's return with Mobuto, but declined to give further details.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION **Tender Notice No. TCC 4/88** Transmission Equipment Supply and Installation



The Telecommunications Corporation of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan (TCC) announces Tender No. TCC 4/88 (Transmission Equipment — Supply and Installation) as part of the Implementation Programme of the "Five-Year Development Plan" to expand the Telephone Network in Jordan. This project includes:

Redployment and expansion of the existing transmission

 Supply and installation of new transmission systems. Specialised companies are hereby invited to submit their bids in accordance with the Terms, Stipulations and Techinical Specifications contained in the Bidding Docu-

Bidders are requested to submit in addition to a bid price a financing proposal to finance the foreign exchange portion of the cost of the subsequent contract to be

Bidding Documents can be purchased from the office of the Secretary of Tender Committee, Telecommunications Corporation, P.O. Box 1689, Amman, Jordan as of 2nd May, 1988 against a payment of a non-refundable fee of

five hundred Jordanian dinars (JD 500). Bids, accompanied by a Bid Security, are to be submitted in English to the office of the Secretary of Tender Committee not later than 12:00 noon local time Monday, Aug. 15, 1988.

Director General Eng. Mohammad Shahid Ismail

navy ships in the Gulf. Also in- Arab Emirates more than \$213 Pakistan, where U.S.-backed

Bangladesh rebels kill at least 24 settlers

RANGAMATI, Bangladesh (R) - Tribal guerrillas seeking autonomy in southern Bangladesh machine-gunned to death at least 24 settlers Sunday night, raising to 47 the number of Muslims killed in under two weeks,

They said some bodies were found in the rubble of houses burned down when Shanti Bahini (peace force) rebels attacked two settlers' hamlets in Manikchhari sub-district in the Chittagong hill

At least 10 people were wounded in the attack, only five kilometres from the Indian

Officials said the rebels came from across the jungle frontier

and sprayed their victims, includ- and settlers have been killed in ing women and children, with the 15-year-old insurgency, which bullets. bullets. "People are very frightened by

the spate of guerrilla attacks. Virtually they have no defence against the raiders," one villager The Shantis, made up of mostly

Chakma tribesmen, began their insurgency in 1973 after the government turned down their demand for autonomy for the 14,200-square-kilometre hill tracts bordering India and

They also want 300,000 Bengali-speaking settlers expelled from the area.

tribespeople to flee to the northeast Indian state of Tripura. Hill tracts officials said the recent attacks were designed to trigger animosity between tribespeople. A joint committee of tribal

people and Muslims Saturday urged hill tracts residents not to be misled by Shanti Bahini "propaganda and provocations." Racial harmony and social

tranquility are essential preconditions to peace, which we all are desperately waiting for," tribal leader Upendra Lai Chakma told According to official figures, leader Upendra Lal Chak nearly 1,400 soldiers, guerrillas a rally in Khagrachhari.

U.S. immigration service to crack down on employers

WASHINGTON (AP) - With Nelson said in an interview with the amnesty programme for illegal aliens about to end, the government is preparing to shift the emphasis on immigration reform to employers.

The Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986 mandates sanctions against employers who knowingly hire undocumented Starting June 1, the Immigration and Naturalisation Service

(INS) has the discretion to issue

warning citations or to levy fines

against employers who violate the The agency will remain flexible and there will not be a "crackdown" with fines starting June 1, Immigration Commissioner Alan

reporters last week. "The purpose of sanctions isn't

to penalise employers." Nelson said. "The purpose is to keep employers from hiring illegal aliens and if you can do it with a positive twist you're a lot better

"Be sure they're educated, be sure they understand why it's good business for them" to not hire cheap illegal labour, Nelson We can always tighten the

screws to the employers and

we're doing that." But he said the

sanctions portion of the program-

me would proceed through a

"gradual, deliberate building pro-

The agency is to hire 900 additional investigators through the beginning of next year and one of their prime duties will be to participate in the employer sanctions programme.

2,000 citations to employers and levied 80 to 90 fines. Nelson expressed satisfaction that congress refused to extend the 12-month amnesty programme for illegal aliens which ends at

To date, the INS has issued

midnight Wednesday. "We wouldn't want to send a message below the border that hind initial projections. Amnesty it's still ok to come here illegally requests total 1.29 million with and then if you do, there still another 440,000 people applying might be amnesty." Nelson said. under a programme for agricultu-"Congress made it clear, one ral workers. The INS had esti-

Nelson said legalisation offices will be open until midnight Wednesday and amnesty candidates standing in line at that time will be processed.

The Senate last Thursday blocked a seven-month extension of the amnesty programme for undocumented immigrants.

Although amnesty requests have soared in recent weeks as the deadline approaches, applications are running significantly be-

time only and stuck to their mated as many as two million would apply.

> Nelson said "nobody knows" how many illegal aliens might qualify for the amnesty programme and he downplayed the two million figure. He said applications were falling somewhat below initial estimates partly because non-profit groups and other non-government community groups overestimated the number of applications they would help the INS handle.

Under the 1986 law, aliens who arrived illegally before Jan. 1, 1982, and who have lived in the United States continually since then may apply for amnesty.

